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Ad Hoc Asks Social-Eating Units

Report's Release Today Product Of Year-Long Committee Study

By JEFFREY DWORKIN
News Editor

NEWS ANALYSIS

Some of its findings were anticipated. Most people didn't expect fraternities to remain as they are. But the final report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Life, released today, goes beyond fraternities in determining the future social and living arrangements of the college.

The report, drafted by former Dean of the College Thomas Reynolds and accepted unanimously by its fourteen members, is the product of twelve months of study by the Committee in anticipation of the college's expansion of student enrollment to 1800 by 1975.

The Committee membership was comprised of four alumni, two trustees, all three deans, and four students. The faculty had only one representative, assistant professor of mathematics Bruce Peterson, who has since been made assistant Dean of Men, though Dean O'Brien and former Dean Reynolds also were teaching courses.

Quiet Independence

An air of quietness and independence surrounded the committee's deliberations, primarily because more immediate problems of student concern came to a head last winter and spring. Most of the controversy centered around the ambitious petition, signed by 900 students last fall, requesting drastic changes in the social regulations here, specifically a parietal hours proposal which became our present open house system.

As parietal hours became thwarted, other issues arose, including sophomore driving, faculty salaries, a new tenure plan, and a voluntary ROTC

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Recommendation

1. That as soon as practical the College undertake to house and feed all students in college facilities and to this end the college construct dormitories for 650 occupants and thirteen dining units for approximately 100 students each.

2. That fraternities be continued at Middlebury, and, if necessary, supported financially by the college through interim difficulties caused by loss of revenue from board and rent.

Committee's Choice Should Face Trustees Before June

"I want to emphasize that the Ad Hoc Committee Report is a report to the President of the College by a special Committee appointed by him in August 1965. The analysis and recommendations of the report will be made available by the President to the Board of Trustees with his own recommendations.

In this matter which effects in some measure all aspects of education at Middlebury, the Board of Trustees has the authority and responsibility for final decision. Before making his recommendation to the Board, the President will consult with the faculty through the Faculty Council and with the students through the Stu-Student Life Committee.

There has been continuous consultation with the alumni through the alumni members of the Ad Hoc Committee and the officers of the alumnae-alumni organizations."

James I. Armstrong

The president told the **Campus** yesterday that the Ad Hoc Committee recommendation, which calls for the college to feed and house all its undergraduates, will hopefully go to the board of trustees "sometime within this school year.

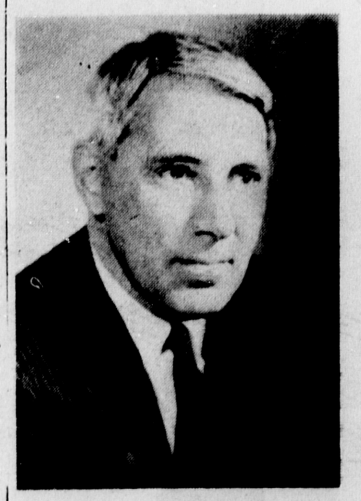
Dr. Armstrong indicated that there are three full meetings of the board remaining before the end of the second term.

The president stressed that "what I have received from the committee is a recommendation, and what I give to the board will be my recommendation.

"The trustees could conceivably accept only a part of it, or even reject it."

Commenting upon the projected status of fraternities, the president said that the new status would give the houses a chance to "make what they want of themselves.

"Till now," he explained, "the fraternities have been fulfilling a strict college function: feeding and housing. Relieved of this responsibility, they would be freed to be whatever they want to be."



President Armstrong

Ad Hoc Report Included Inside

File Papers Are Found In Creek

The contents of approximately three of the thirteen confidential file drawers stolen from Old Chapel last month were fished from Otter Creek last Wednesday and Thursday by campus police.

This brings the total of drawers and files recovered to nine.

In this most recent incident, an employee of the power station on the Creek spotted the floating documents and notified the college. Dean of the College Dennis O'Brien told the **Campus**, "We can be reasonably sure that they were thrown into the river Tuesday night." Some were found stuffed into a burlap sack.

No Longer Prank

O'Brien added that the situation "no longer has any prankish quality at all." "Whoever had the files had to consciously and deliberately decide to attempt to destroy them instead of returning them to the college in one form or another."

The Dean's efforts to find the thieves is, he emphasized, "not vindictive. These people are either malicious or pathological, and dangerous either to the community or to themselves.

While O'Brien agreed that those in possession of the files could as easily have burned anything in them they felt unfavorable to themselves, he was still "hard pressed to believe anything in the records was their goal." He is convinced that the files were taken by students, but has refrained from extending the investigation to a more detailed level with outside authorities, since he feels that "such an investigation might constitute an affront to the whole student body."

Plea by Armstrong

Among other developments concerning the files, college president James Armstrong last week issued a statement in the College Announcements re-

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The Student Vote . . .

Robert Bethke, President of the I.F.C. and a member of the Ad Hoc Committee, made this judgment of the Committee's report:

"I would like to say initially that my signing this report is not necessarily an endorsement of each and every specific point in the plan. It is not in every instance an indication of how I personally feel on each point. This report has my endorsement because I feel that it presents things in a reasonable way, and is on the whole a good, rational report."

When asked by the **Campus** about the effects he thought the plan would have by 1971, Bethke replied:

"This is a very tough question, and I'm not sure that I can make a very profound reply. There will be changes in the social life of the campus, and in the educational environment itself. We can look forward to an increased interaction between the men and women of the College. The questions are what the effects of this new interaction will be. Will the societies create a new stimulus for increased educational activity? Will we be rid of our apathy? Will we be encouraged to produce more on an intellectual level through this new interaction? I hope we will."

The Student Vote . . .

John Rogers, Middlebury senior, President of the Student Association, and a member of the Ad Hoc Committee for the past year, had the following to say about the Committee's report:

"I voted for this plan because I thought it had the most potential of all the plans that were considered. This plan which the committee has endorsed is a breakthrough in terms of taking advantage of the fact Middlebury is a co-educational college."

When asked to comment on the effects of the plan when completed in 1971, he said:

"I'm not sure that I care to predict the effects this plan will have on the college by 1971. I can only say that I voted for it because I felt the potential was here for improving the situation as it exists now. I think that Middlebury will be better off for having the new system."

Ad Hoc Analysis . . .

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system. Yet the committee worked quietly on, with the only interruption coming last spring as open, all-college hearings and subsequent IFC action led to an unofficial "Plan Four" addition to the committee's alternatives, advocating a coexistent fraternity-coed society setup. This then became in effect Plan Three in May as the committee discarded a central commons dining design.

'Dogmatic Control'

Of the alternatives themselves, perhaps the most crucial consideration for most students was stated by the report as one of its objectives: "The system should work insofar as possible to reduce the tension which so often exists between administration and students by enhancing student responsibility and reducing the number of areas in which the college must exercise dogmatic control over student life, while at the same time recognizing the college's basic responsibility for the level and quality of student life."

It was felt by many that a "50-50" plan of fraternities and societies would give students not only a choice in their social and living arrangements, but also a safety valve to keep the administration honest as to the extent of the autonomy which the report promises to the societies when it states that they would "Be so designed as to foster separateness and autonom of each under a student-run organizational mechanism," and that "the satellite units should not be put under stricter control than the fraternities in the matter of occupation of both sexes and in the consumption of alcohol . ."

In favoring the Satellite Plan (coed social and dining units), the report, though it lauds some advantages of the present fraternity system, and though it recognizes that the accusation of fraternity non-intellectuality is often exaggerated, observes that "the College is increasingly called on to exercise leadership in an area which by origin and definition should be self-motivated and responsible." It further finds that "Undergraduates like their fraternities primarily because they can live in an unregulated and essentially a-responsible atmosphere," and that "Most undergraduates in fraternities care little for their alumni and less for their national organizations."

Old Bottles

The death blow for the present system comes on page 23 of the report. Admitting earlier the "well-beloved history" of the system here, and their "important role" here in the past, "The Committee cannot help but feel that in making a massive attempt to blow life into an old system it may be foisting that system on the college for long after its usefulness has passed. A reinvigoration of the fraternity system may indeed be pouring new wine into old bottles."

The membership of the committee, the length to which the report goes to point out the advantages of fraternities here, and the ultimate decision to advise the retention of fraternities (though without dining or residential functions) seem to point to a thorough and fair evaluation of their potential role here for the future. Yet there may still be many who wonder at the omission of as lengthy a discussion of the "50-50 Plan" as has been given the extended fraternity plan.

In fact, though made one of three alternatives (p.7), the report makes at best only indirect reference to the "50-50 Plan" via scraps of information and judgments in the discussion of the other two plans.

St. Mark's Cathedral in Venice (1063-1067) one of the great examples of Byzantine architecture, was begun in the 9th century. Partly destroyed by fire in 976, it was later rebuilt as a Byzantine edifice.

Don't Speed on Highways

The Student Vote . . .

In an interview with the **Campus**, Ad Hoc Committee member Charles Moffett explained why he had voted for the Committee's final report.

"A large part of the decision had to do with Middlebury as an educational institution. Considering Middlebury as an educational means and end, this plan appeared to be the most feasible."

Moffett also speculated about the effects that this plan would have on the college when fully enacted by 1971:

"This plan will help to pull the entire educational factor together. More emphasis will be placed on the female side of the campus. This is certainly needed. The college is half women, and the female side is being neglected. The women have their sororities, but these really don't amount to anything. The women of the college are completely independent from the male side of the campus except on Saturday nights. These are the factors that we took into consideration. This plan will bring the men and the women of the college closer together, and I think that this is a good thing."

O'Brian: More Talk For Ad Hoc Report

By JEFFREY DWORKIN

"This is really a bare-bones report, almost an architectural report. More earnest conversations are still necessary as to the actual setup and workings of the plan."

This response by Dean of the College Dennis O'Brien to the final report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Life, and subsequent statements in a **Campus** interview early this week, pointed to a very general conclusion over a very general report — that he was "generally pleased" with the report's conclusions, but that, if the report is accepted, plenty of thought remains before it could be practically effected.

O'Brien went on to clarify some of the ambiguities of the report. As to the degree of autonomy which the report promises the proposed satellites, O'Brien stated, "We're not trying to pull the wool over anyone's eyes. I don't see how, as college-owned facilities, they can have **as much** autonomy as the fraternities have had. But within general limitations, I think, yes, there will be as much autonomy as can be built into these societies." Specifically, as to alcohol consumption, O'Brien said it would be handled probably as it is now in the fraternities.

Referring to the report's statement that the membership of women in the satellites should mean less of a need for regulation by the college, the Dean said that "stags are the ones that usually cause the trouble," while students with dates are "fairly well-behaved." "Women have a civilizing influence," he concluded.

Asked why the "50-50 Plan" was not separately discussed by the report, O'Brien said it did not seem "profitable" to pursue it at the Fall meetings, since no one, not even the IFC, he believed, was still advocating it.

The present residential principle here will continue unchanged, he said. And the present administrative policy of not preventing a male student from actually living-off campus so long as he rents a college or fraternity room "may bite the dust," he said. "It is an inherited policy that we may reinvestigate."

In reference to whether satellite dining contracts would be compulsory on all students, O'Brien said on-campus dining "has been assumed," but that he "wouldn't think it would be different than it is now, with over ninety percent of the students eating here."

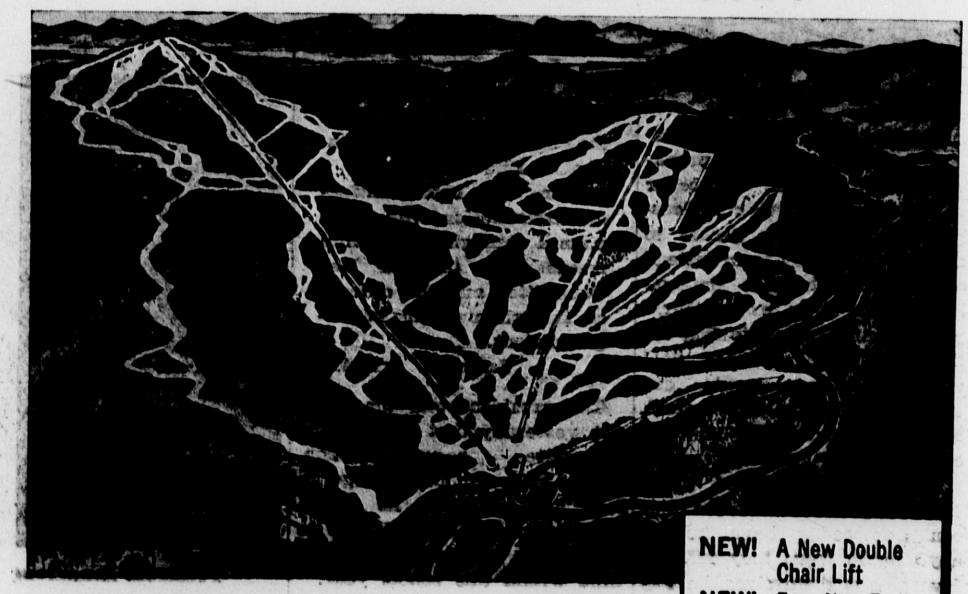
Effects of War Theme of Soviet Film For Tonight

By DICK ROSS

"The Cranes Are Flying," one of the finest Soviet films since World War II, will be shown tonight at 7:15 in Dana as a Cinema presentation. This film is a story of beautiful simplicity about two young students who fall in love just before the Nazi invasion. "The Cranes" won top prize at Cannes in 1959 for director Mikhail Kalatozov, an associate of Sergei Eisenstein.

In a fine delineation of middle-class city life we witness the fall and disgrace of the young girl. While her lover is off zapping the Krauts, she is seduced and abandoned by her boyfriend's degenerate draft-dodger cousin who plays the piano. Meanwhile, her soldier boy has made the supreme sacrifice for Comrade Stalin without breathing a word of it to her.

The girl's faithlessness is compassionately understood in this work. "The Cranes Are Flying" might be a parable about the war's disordering effect on human life. It is also about one of the untabulated casualities of the war and her struggle to salvage something out of a wrecked life.



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On Music

Critic Finds State Concert Improved

By SANFORD SHAW

The general impression one received during Sunday night's annual concert by the Vermont State Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Alan Carter, professor of music, was one of great improvement over previous years, both because of the smaller size of the orchestra, which meant an over-all higher level of competence among the musicians, and because of the new placement of the orchestra in the Field House basketball courts, which eliminated some of the acoustical deadness of past performances.

The orchestra's opening number, Antonio Vivaldi's Concerto Grosso, Opus 3, No. 11 in D Minor, was the most polished of the evening. The strings executed the entire work with exceptional clarity, especially in the fugal section, and displayed a beautifully warm and smooth tone.

Beethoven's Symphony No. 8 in F. Major, the second work on the program, was also quite well done. The four lively movements were played just fast enough to retain their energy, but not so fast that the orchestra might have run away with themselves. The opening and final movements were performed with an exciting style that brought out the fundamentally gay mood of the symphony to great advantage. The tympanist did some fine work in many of the quiet passages.

After a stirring first half, the orchestra demonstrated a number of weaknesses during their final two numbers. Maurice Ravel's "Pavane pour une infante defunte" was generally the least successful piece in the concert. The tempos were imprecise and the directions which the work was taking were often hard to distinguish.

Piano soloist Diane Walsh, although only sixteen, gave an amazingly mature performance of Schumann's Concerto, for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 54 in A Minor. and saved the final piece of the evening from being the weakest, although the orchestra backing her up was not always with her.

Miss Walsh, with her clear articulation and sensitive range of volumes, from trickling phrases to thundering chord progressions, made the whole work worthwhile and exciting to listen to.

Dr. Carter should be given a great deal of credit for having developed one of the few state-supported symphony orchestras in the United States, composed of mostly non-professional personnel, to the point where even a critical listener can distinguish as many fine points of execution as were evident in this year's concert.

READ THE ADS

Award Winner Newman Shows At Carr Library

"He is a very good painter" said John Canaday, chief art critic for the **New York Times**, of Daniel Newman, who is now showing in the college gallery, Carr Hall.

Newman is a visiting lecturer in English at Middlebury this year, although his abiding work is painting. He has had seven one-man shows since 1956, four of them on the west coast. The most recent occurred last May at the Grippi Gallery in New York City.

In 1960 he was selected as one of thirty painters under thirty-five years of age who were shown in the "Young America" exhibit at the Whitney Museum in New York. This show toured for one year across the United States, and was reviewed by **Time** Magazine, which displayed a color reproduction of one of Newman's paintings.

As a result of this recognition, Newman was selected for a Guggenhiem Fellowship in 1962.

Varied Interests

"Social commitment, the interests of a wife and family, and the danger of depending upon painting for an income" are the reasons Newman gives for the multifarious activities he has engaged in since graduating from Bard College in 1952.

He has, at various times and simultaneously, worked at landscaping, ("ditch digger"); initiated and directed a children's theater; developed (with Hazel Hertzberg) a junior high school curriculum for social studies which has since been adopted by the New York State School System; lectured on Art History and Painting (Bard College), and on social and cultural history (each summer to the New York State Historical Association in Cooperstown).

He was at one time the art consultant and picture editor for **Current** Magazine. In conjunction with previous research for the social studies program (cultures of the farming world, Iroquois Indians, and "culture of the two cities"), he is preparing a show for the New York State Council on Arts on Iroquois Indian crafts, to be shown in schools and small museums.

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IFC Assists County Counseling Service

The Middlebury Interfraternity Council, as announced by Tiger Bethke, President, has donated fifty dollars to the Counseling Service of Addison County.

This contribution is to aid the service in its non-profit functioning as a community mental health agency concerned especially with the prevention of mental illness.

Because of the expansion of services, more funds are needed for the maintenance of the CSAC's professional staff. If this need cannot be met, said Mrs. Richard Mullin, Supervisor of Volunteer Activities, some of the vital services provided by the agency will be discontinued.

A major source of the agency is its Big Brother program in which Middlebury College students help troubled youngsters of the Middlebury area. It is the function of the students to establish "warm relationships" with the children and, by doing so, fulfill the void left by deceased parents, or in introverted children, by a lack of playmates.

This program is designed, most especially, to detect these and other causes of menal illness early in the child's experience and, by assigning a friend in a Big Brother or Sister, stem any further development of mental weakness and cultivate instead a stronger psychological constitution.

Help From Frats

Although the Service is the recipient of a four year government grant from the National Institute of Mental Health, this does not apply to all of their services. Thus, only 67 percent of a $7,500 budget can be met. The Service derives its funds from the contributions of individuals, industry, businesses and also schools to which the consulting services are supplied. It is also one of the beneficiaries of the Middlebury Community Chest Fund.

Two Middlebury sororities, Tri-Delt and Pi Beta Phi, participate in this program with the children from the Hancock and Granville Schools. Fraternities Delta Kappa Epsilon and Delta Tau Omega sponsor Big Brothers in the Ripton and Salisbury Village Schools. Zeta Psi leads a physical education program at the St. Mary's parochial grade school in Middlebury.

WATCH YOUR SPEED

Midd Troupe To Offer Frost Plays In Chicago

Two short plays by Robert Frost, "The Masque of Reason" and "The Masque of Mercy," will be presented by a four-member Middlebury troupe in Chicago on Tuesday, December 27, during the 30th annual convention of the American Educational Theatre Association.

Frost wrote few dramatic works, and those he did write are basically poetic in naure. These two plays represent Frost's approach to a "re-examination of the concepts of reason and mercy in a religious context" by re-telling the Biblical stories of Job and Jonas "with a distinctly modern flavor," commented Erie Volkert, professor of drama, who is both directing and acting in the productions.

Appearing with Volkert in the plays will be Porter Woods, assistant professor of English, Brian Pendleton, theatre technician, and Mari Ward '67. Volkert will portray God and Jonas, Woods will play Satan and Paul, Pendleton will appear as Job and the Keeper, and Miss Ward will act the roles of Thyatira, Job's wife and of Jesse, in the "Masque of Reason" and the "Masque of Mercy," respectively.

Discussion After

After their dramatic presentation Volkert and his troupe will lead a discussion on the problems of producing, directing, and acting poetic dramas.

This same cast presented these Frost plays at the Bread Loaf Theatre October 8 during the fall meeting of the New England College English Association, whose theme was a re-examination of Robert Frost.

Volkert also directed the world premieres of "The Masque of Reason" and "The Masque of Mercy" during the summer sessions of the Bread Loaf School of English in 1946 and 1948 respectively.

Files . . .

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questing that any student with information of the theft step forward.

The file drawers, each weighing approximately fifty pounds and containing confidential records and correspondence concerning all students, were stolen over three weeks ago from the offices of the deans. In connection with the theft, four students were suspended over Thanksgiving break for giving out false information concerning the theft, using the names of former and present students, to newspaper and television sources. The four have since been readmitted.

Art Seminar

"Round Table on Painting," a discussion exploring the problems and possibilitites of contemporary art and artists, will be held tomorrow night in Dana Auditorium at 8 p. m.

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Frosh Organize Hawaiian Party, Feature 'Tweeds'

The Social Committee of BOG is sponsoring a Hawaiian Party for Freshmen to be held Saturday night from 8:30 to 12:30 in the Hepburn Zoo. The "Boss Tweeds," known as "one of the ten best bands in the East," will provide the entertainment for the evening.

Heading the dance committee is Bob Jocelyn '70, who several weeks ago approached Burt Knapp, chairman of the BOG Social Committee with the possibility of having a Hawaiian Party at Middlebury. Jocelyn is a resident of Hawaii, and came up with the idea after attending a Hawaiian party held at the Sigma Nu house of UVM.

Frosh Initiative

Jocelyn subsequently joined the Social Committee anxious to see more members of the freshman class participating in the planning of their own entertainment rather than having it done for them by sophomores.

He stated that several members of the committee had not been too happy about his idea at first, and were reluctant to get a good band as their budget was planned.

"They put me off until I was able to persuade some of the committee members that the plan was a good one," said Jocelyn. Knapp stated that a large part of the initial objection was due to the problem of financing the evening.

An admission fee of 75 cents will be charged.

Coffeehouse Site Selected; Opens In '67

The Quesnel building on Bakery Lane will be the site of the student-owned coffeehouse which is to open some time next semester, according to Peter De Yoe '69.

Although owned by students, "the coffeehouse will need a manager to take care of the paper work and to be there," explained Paige Bryan '68.

The coffeehouse, whose name is still undecided, will be financed by the sale of common stock, at $20.00 a share, and preferred stock, at $10.00 a share.

One-page questionnaires were distributed last Friday night to measure student interest and possible financial support. Students could check off areas in which they wanted to work, such as decor, managing and waitressing.

'Theatre-In- Round' Marks Jan. 1-Acts

Seven student-directed one-act plays, three of them to be presented in the round in McCullough Gymnasium, have been scheduled for performance in January, according to Erie Volkert, professor of drama, who teaches the directing class.

Four of them, Jean Anouilh's **Medea**, directed by Thomas Gardner '68; **The Intruder**, by Maurice Maeterlinck, under the direction of Charles Frank '69; Eugene O'Neill's **The Long Voyage Home**, directed by Barnes Boffey '67; and **Ways and Means**, by Noel Coward, under the direction of Robb Orchard '69, will be presented on the usual proscenium stage in Wright Theatre on Friday and Saturday, January 13 and 14.

The remaining three one-acts, **Escurial**, by Michel de Gelderode, under the direction of Edward Moorhouse '68; **A Tale of Chelm** from "The World of Sholom Aleichem" by Arnold Perl, directed by Eric Bass '69; and **At the Hawk's Well**, by William Butler Yeats, under the direction of Julie Whitaker '67, will be played in McCullough on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 17 and 18.

Over 45 students were selected in try-outs last Thursday and Friday to form the casts for the seven plays, which are listed below:

Cast

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The Long Voyage Home: Olsen, Mark Dienstag '70; Driscoll, Peter Kovner '67; Ivan, Marshall Adair '70; Joe, Gregg Humphrey '70; Nick, Vic Tine '69; Freda, Diantha Bartlett '70; Kate, Lee Diamond '69; Mag, Pamela Twible '68; Cocky, Roger Cummings '69.

Ways and Means: Olive Lloyd-Ransome, Kelley Hunter '70; Lord Chapworth, Peter Kelly '70; Stevens, Edwin Hann '67; Princess Elena, Robin Flint '67; Nanny, Frances Westley '70; Stella, Laurel Drake '70; Toby, Francis Lewis '67.

Escurial: King, Addison Hall '69; Folial, William Stearns '70; Monk, Douglas Haneline '70.

A Tale of Chelm: Mendele, Peter Knobler '68; Melamed, Barney Maier '67; Rifkele, Joelle Murat '70; Rabbi David, Douglas Way '69; The Angel Rochele, Karen Young '69; The Goatseller, Cheryl Nissan '68; Dodi, Anthony Shaw '70; Dodi's Assistant, Andrew Wentink '70.

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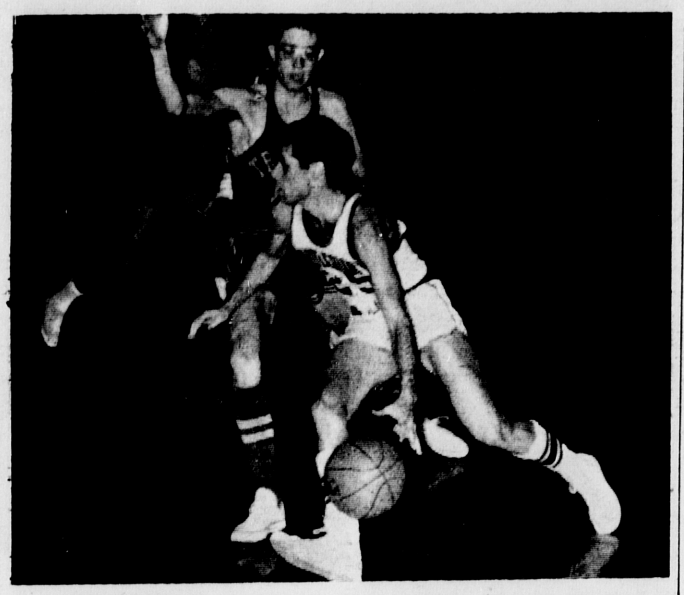


SOPHOMORE KEVIN DUCEY dribbles around Trinity's Zilmer in fourth period action in Middlebury's 85-80 overtime loss last Saturday. Ducey netted a high of 30 points in his first varsity game.

Photo by Sluder

Ducey Nets 30 in 85-80 Loss; St. Lawrence, Clarkson Next

By BOB LENZ

Last Saturday night before an overflow crowd at Memorial Field House, the Trinity Bantams escaped from the clutches of a keyed-up Middlebury team, edging out the Panthers 85-80 in overtime.

Trinity's Mike Hickey put the game into overtime, with fifty seconds left in the contest, on a 20-foot shot from the right side that tied the score at 68-68.

With 28 seconds left, the Panthers controlled the ball and called a timeout. On the ensuing in bounds play, the Panthers lost their golden opportunity, surrendering the ball on a traveling violation by Rick Minton.

Ignoring the pleas of their bench for a timeout, the Bantams held the ball for a Hickey shot that missed with only two seconds showing on the clock.

The teams battled on even terms in the overtime period, until Bob Gutzman put Trinity ahead 78-76, at the 2:26 mark, on a rebound of his own shot. shot.

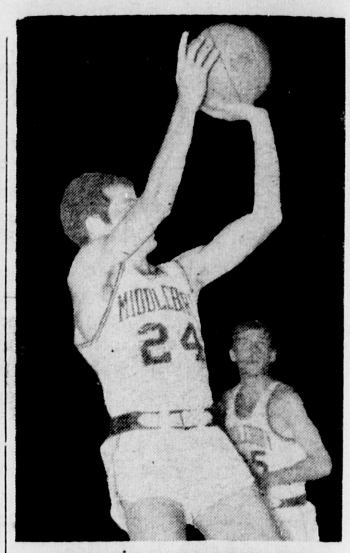
The Panthers proceeded to lose the ball on an up-and-down violation, and the Bantams, in an effort to protect their basket margin, froze the ball for nearly a minute. Dave Vanier wisely committed an intentional foul with only 1:05 remaining. Jim Stuhlman then locked the door, laying in an easy rebound after Hickey had missed both foul shots.

Middlebury's scoring attack was paced by Kevin Ducey, 30 points, Captain Peter Roby, 19 points, and Dave Vanier, 18 points.

Sophomore guard Ducey hitting on long jumpshts and driving layups, put on a dazzling display that had the crowd on its feet throughout the contest. He scored 8 of Midd's 12 points during the overtime period. Roby saved the Panthers from complete disaster under the boards, rebounding well on both ends of the court.

The Panthers relied on a 3-2 offense, with Vanier, Ducey, and Dave Nicholson at the guard positions, and Roby and Reed at the forward spots.

The teams staged a nip-and-tuck battle for most of the first half, until Trinity opened a small lead late in the period. Vanier kept the Panthers close, hitting four straight one-handers. Trinity, in the early stages, broke Middlebury's zone, passing quickly in close and using their beefy forwards to crash the offensive boards.



PANTHER PLAYMAKER DAVE NICHOLSON goes up for a jump shot against Trinity.

Tap-in by Roby

The Bantams moved ahead 34-27 in the final minute, but Roby narrowed the margin at the buzzer on a tip-in off the backboard.

With 16 minutes left in regulation play, Vanier faced Stuhlman on a jumpball at the center circle, giving away six inches to his sizeable opponent. Vanier gathered in the loose ball off the tap and led a two-

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Norwich Provides Brief Respite From Powerhouse Schedule; Colgate Friday

Despite brilliant efforts in the goal by Middlebury captain Pete Brown, the varsity hockey team was decisioned 5-1 at Army last Saturday and by UNH 3-1 in the home opener at Memorial Fieldhouse Thursday, Nov. 30.

Brown leads the Panthers into home games this week with Norwich (played last night after the **Campus** had gone to press) and with tough Colgate tomorrow night at 7:30 p. m.

'Best in Division'

"I'll tell you, we've got one of the finest goaltenders in the East," said Middlebury hockey coach Wendy Forbes of his captain's performance to date (113 saves in just three games). "He is the best in the division (ECAC Division II), and as good as anybody else I can think of in the East."

Against Army, Brown came up with 42 saves, a couple of which even brought the Cadet corps to its feet with applause. The senior goalie's heroics were not enough, however, to handle the big, strong-skating West Pointers.

"We just spent too much time in the penalty box and blew a lot of good scoring opportunities," said sophomore Pete Montori in post game analysis.

Army took early advantage of Panther penalties by slipping in two first period goals. Middlebury played eight of the first 20 minute stanza with a man down. In all, four of the five Army goals came with the Panthers shorthanded.

With Middlebury down 4-0, senior wing Pete Treska netted the only goal for the visitors, beating Army goalie Newell at 15:42 of the third period. Blaine Doherty and Montori assisted on the play.

One Middlebury player found Army "not as good as UNH," to whom the Panther skaters succumbed earlier in the week on home ice 3-1.

Jerry Smith put Middlebury out in front briefly with a scoring shot at 9:00 of the first period. UNH, however, responded with first period goals at 12:00 and 19:05 to take a 2-1 lead.

Middlebury had only a few offensive opportunities after Smith's score, mostly coming from Blaine Doherty, a junior stickandler from Sudbury, Ontario.

The loss of first line wing, Pete Kirkpatrick, "certainly messed us up a little," according to Coach Forbes. "Pete is a real aggressive skater that gets us the puck."

Kirkpatrick is out with a back sprain sustained before the UNH game and is lost to the team for an indefinite period. Junior Dave Symonds will probably fill his place on the first line with Doherty and soph Ron St. Louis.

Colgate Beats Norwich

Norwich brought a 1-1 record into last night's game, having been beaten badly by a Colgate team that the Panthers face tomorrow night, and having defeated Hamilton last Saturday by a 5-4 count.

Norwich boasts a tough contender in the nets, Speros, and a fine skater and scorer in wing "Frenchy" Guillmette. Middlebury defeated the Cadets from Northfield in a preseason scrimmage 5-3.

The Middlebury "freshman" team played its first "game" yesterday afternoon against the preppers from Northwood.

SENIOR PETE TRESKA (Middlebury No. 9), close-checking a New Hampshire player above, scored Middlebury's only goal in last Saturday's 5-1 defeat at West Point.

Frosh Hoopers Down Norwich

By JOHN FRESHMAN

Coach Joe Morrone's frosh hoopsters fulfilled pre-season promise in a runaway (89-71) victory over the Cadets of Norwich Monday night. The Panther Cubs were led by lanky playmaker Chris Korn, a trio of speedy guards, and steady John Van Arnum.

The key play of the game came with Middlebury leading 33-32 in the first half. Coach Morrone inserted a fresh set of flashy guards, John Buffard, Ray Rivera, and Steve Krauss, who with hustling steals and a devastating fast break opened up a 50-36 halftime advantage.

Chris Korn's 18 points — 16 in the first half — led a balanced Middlebury attack. Following him were John Van Arnum with 10 and rebounding whiz Eugene Oliver who stuffed in 12. Steve Weeks of Norwich led all scorers with 26.

Inside Story

Freshman Problem

by Karl Lindholm

Recently, Jeff Mackay ('65), former captain of the Middlebury baseball team, football quarterback, and intense intramural hockey enthusiast, now a 2nd lieutenant on America's team, returned to the Middlebury campus for a few days. Concerning the activity he observed at the field house, he said, "It is really great to see that Alaimo has basketball coming back to Middlebury, but what's the story with hockey?"

Mackey's stay came before the hockey schedule began, so his remarks did not refer to the varsity hockey team's slow start. He was concerned specifically with this year's freshman program or, more to the point, the lack of one. That Middlebury has apparently gone from freshman teams that were 10-1 in 1964-65 and 6-5-1 in 1965-66 to no team at all in 1966-67 bothers a number of people close to the Middlebury hockey scene. We sent Assistant Sports Editor, Jim Allen, to try to find out exactly what the freshman hockey situation is (Page 13.)

The freshman problem will obviously not affect the varsity program this year, and probably not next year either as essentially the same faces return. Unless a freshman class arrives next fall that includes some first-rate hockey talent and considerably more numbers, however, varsity coach Wendall Forbes can expect some lean years in the future.

As in all sports, Middlebury must compete with other top small colleges and Ivy League schools for the good secondary school hockey player. Yet, since Phil Latreille thrust Middlebury into the national hockey spotlight in '59-61, Middlebury has boasted an attractive hockey program with a winning tradition—inability of the freshman to skate as a representative unit is only a temporary situation and not a symptom of a trend.

While on the subject of hockey, we look for the varsity hockey team to cease this early season losing streak and to assume its expected role as a contender in ECAC Division II ranks. It must be remembered that the Middlebury skaters encounter a number of their toughest opponents at the very beginning of the schedule, when they least prepared to handle these clubs.

It seems, moreover, that every year the Panthers are forced to play in the face of crippling losses in personnel losses. Last year, it was Billy Watts, the best scorer from the 10-1 freshman team the previous year, who flunked out, and Dick Hall, a lightning-fast skater, who left school to enter VISTA service. This year, Stu Dunn is studying abroad, and Terry Cryderman, who was being groomed to replace graduating star Wayne Halliwell, decided not to return to Middlebury this fall; also, Pete Kirkpatrick, out with a back injury, has left a gap in the Panther first line. The team is solid in the most important position — goalie, and with the return of Kirkpatrick, the Panthers should start to jell and pick up a few important victories.

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8 Frosh Out For Hockey-- 'Informal Club' Formed

By JIM ALLEN

Middlebury Athletic Director "Duke" Nelson has recently requested and been granted by the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference the right to play the contracted games of the freshman schedule on "an informal club basis." This club will consist of the freshmen hockey players, complemented with "volunteers" from the intramural league.

This request has been necessitated by the fact that only eight freshmen skaters, two of them goalies, have turned out for the freshman hockey squad. A minimum of eleven players (two lines, two goalies and three defensemen) is required to realistically field an intercollegiate team.

Not Confined

The dilemma is not confined to Middlebury. Bowdoin is currently in the same situation and has elected to operate upon the club basis. Williams last year was forced to augment its freshman squad with intramural skaters. MIT and Clarkson have at one time terminated their freshman hockey programs. Vermont has complemented its freshman sextet with varsity players, thus actually existing as a jayvee team.

Yet the question remains: why has Middlebury been forced to adopt the policy of "the informal club," especially after such strong freshman teams of the two preceding years ('64-15 players with a 10-1 record, '65-13 players with a 6-5-1 record)?

In the words of Athletic Director Nelson: "Freshman sports demonstrate a cycle, and this year marks a low in that cycle." The specialized nature of hockey, itself, dictates an element of supply and demand. Twenty-eight ECAC colleges compete for a limited supply of hockey talent in the Northeast.

Nelson maintains that this scarcity of talent is the result of the "specialized environment necessary for the sport." Few American communities can afford the expense of erecting a hockey rink, as compared with the universality of the basketball court in every high school gym. As examples, Vermont and New Hampshire possessed no high school hockey competition until last year.

Canadian Players

The influx of the highly skilled Canadian player is, in part, a response to this scarcity of existing hockey talent in this country. Hockey talent, unlike the skills required in such sports as lacrosse or soccer, can not be developed in the natural athlete who has never skated. Accordingly, the existing talent of the player is known before entry into college. The competition for this existing talent is extremely intense and Middlebury must enter into contention with the Ivy League and other academic elites.

The image of the Canadian player has affected Middlebury's freshman program in another manner. The rumor of a "super-squad of Canadian stars" at Middlebury has discouraged the prep-school and high school hockey player of mediocre talent from attending Middlebury. This is the caliber of player that was essential for the element of depth in the freshman program.

The question of the effect of "the informal club" upon the caliber of future varsity hockey teams must now be raised. After the departure of the legendary Latreille, Middlebury hockey suffered through its worst season in many years: 1963's squad endured nineteen losses against only four victories. Ironically, there was no freshman team, per se, in 1962.

However, the situation is not

Inside Story . . .

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It was perhaps the best basketball game played in the Memorial Field House in five years — and, for the first time since I've been here, an overflow crowd was on hand to watch a Midd basketball team. The '66 Panthers gave the fans everything, except, alas, a victory. In the past, as Coach Alaimo pointed out, a defeat such as the one Trinity handed Middlebury last Saturday would be regarded as tragic; Middlebury might never be so close to victory again. Yet, this team, perhaps due to Alaimo's "empathetic" approach, has confidence, at last, in its own ability, and a number of victories should be the result.

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EDITORIAL SECTION

New Wine, New Bottles

The Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation to the president is, on the whole, tightly reasoned and honest. If accepted, and we believe it will be, the subsequent changes effected by the proposal could cure nearly every social ill that has been cited on this campus.

If we have any reservation at all about the recommendation, it is with the projected status of fraternities. The levelling forces of compromise were clearly at work here; we presume there must have been loud alumni and student objections to any plan that would have dissolved fraternities altogether. We wonder how meaningful Middlebury's fraternity "shells" will be to the college community once the houses have assumed club status. There will seemingly be a duplication of social facilities in the "satellites" and the fraternities. Too, unlike Princeton's, Middlebury's fraternity - clubs could not — even with renovation — be very "gracious" haunts. When the fraternities are no longer anybody's home, there is little reason to doubt that they will be the arena for the undergraduates' most irresponsible, least meaningful, activity.

What is very significant for tomorrow's undergraduates is what may develop into a change in the college's standards of **control** over undergraduate activity. The framers of the recommendation stressed that the coeducational nature of future social planning would necessitate fewer official college reins on such planning. It is our hope that most students are not so crestfallen or suspicious that they refrain from making the new system work to their best advantage. We believe that only a lack of student energy will make the new social system fail.

Certainly one of the beauties of the recommendation is its indication of "gracious dining." Outside the president's dining room in Proctor Hall, there presently isn't a single trace of gracious dining on this campus: Proctor Hall does its best with cafeteria-style limitations (but the limitations are severe); the fraternities and the Forests seem to place a great premium on speed.

It would seem almost certain that if the new system goes into effect, the college's policy against off-campus living will be firmly cemented. This rather distresses us, but, on the other hand, if our elusive residential principle is ever to be realized, it will be under the recommended system.

Inasmuch as the recommended system would achieve its goals — accommodating an enrollment increase, bringing Middlebury women more prominently into social planning, providing a social atmosphere conducive to student-faculty interaction — the recommendation is sound. The new system, to borrow imagery from the report, will be "pouring new wine into new bottles"; only aging will determine ultimate quality.

It is our opinion that the recommended change will make a considerably better college in 1975.

Student Saigon Observer Sees Viet War 'Fuzzy and Far Away'

By HOWARD MOFFETT
The Collegiate Press Service

SAIGON (CPS) — "I don't give a damn about the Vietnamese — we're fighting a war against China. Nobody worried about the Alsatians during the battle of Alsace-Lorraine."

A prominent Washington columnist made the comment during a recent visit to Viet Nam. To many educated Americans the striking thing would be its crudity. The striking thing here is that many Vietnamese, deploring the sentiment and despising the speaker, would nevertheless accept it as an accurate appraisal of what is happening in and to their country.

However Americans view the war in Viet Nam, many Southeast Asians see it primarily as a struggle between the U. S. and China for power, influence and the vindication of ideology. It is the tragic fate of the Vietnamese that they live in a rich and politically strategic border land between areas dominated by these two great powers.

To Americans, the conflict often seems fuzzy and far away. American interests in Southeast Asia are nebulously defined. Despite growing malaise, the war in tiny Viet Nam has touched the lives of most Americans only indirectly.

Likewise, no one knows very much about the Chinese, and their role in Southeast Asia is often minimized. Americans, impressed with their own strength and confused by Chinese counterclaims, conclude that the Chinese must realize they would be foolish to get into a fight with the United States.

The picture looks quite different from here. Ask any Vietnamese who the dominant power in Southeast Asia is, and the answer would be My, the Americans. The other potential power in the area is just as obvious. China's shadow falls like a great weight on people living at the bottom of the continent. almost a physical pressure. Skeptics might glance at a Vietnamese newspaper: the one I know best is printed in English, largely for an American readership — yet often China commands more front page space than any other nation, including the U. S. and Viet Nam.

It seems China and America are always shouting at each other, but neither wants to understand what the other is railing about. Americans talk in somber tones of raising the price of aggression and buttressing democracy and freedom around the world. A shrill Chinese voice protests that the great American reactionary, imperialist, bourgeois power is besieging the revolutionary champion of the oppressed nations, China, and trying to stamp out a popular struggle against colonialism by her ally, the People's Democratic Republic of Viet Nam.

"That doesn't correspond to reality," we say, thinking of our suburban home, our country club and our kids. And,

Thus the conflict between China and the U. S. would be much clearer if both sides were actually fighting for a territorial conquest of Viet Nam. But this is ruled out, so a typical line of reasoning goes, by the fact that neither power could afford it — America because of her scruples and China because of her internal problems. So the conflict stays fuzzy.

But to put the issue in these terms is to take it back to the nineteenth century. Today's power struggles, partly because of the threat of nuclear war, are more indirect and not nearly so crude.

The Great Soc Bombarded W 'Rehabilitation' Major Part Of U.S.-Viet Effort

By RICHARD ROSS

Almost imperceptively last month a small band of dedicated Americans followed in the footsteps of the Great Man to Camranh Bay, South Vietnam, the very place where He had proclaimed His "Come home with coonskin on the wall, you-all!" doctrine.

These were no ordinary coon hunters, but special advisors on Southeast Asian social and economic development. The headman and President of the World Bank, Eugene R. Black was nattily attired in seersucker trousers, beige polo shirt, and black homburg worn **(N. Y. Times, 11-14-66)** "as rakishly as a song and dance man's boater."

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Phys. Ed. Rule Examined, Profs and Students Divided

By KURT HEINZELMAN

"Compulsory physical education is almost a necessity." (Mr. Kelly, chairman of the men's physical education department.)

"Middlebury College believes in the importance of the liberal arts and the liberal sciences. It believes that the central purpose of undergraduate education is the development of the human mind as broadly and as deeply as possible . . . Middlebury College aims to prepare its students through study of the humanities and languages, and through the disciplines of the social and natural sciences, to respond intelligently to an ever-changing social, political, and scientific world."

"The physical education program is planned to promote women's competence, interest, and participation in physical activities both during and after the college years." (College Catalog)

Time to Question

There appears to be some question regarding the compatibility of these three statements. The question was phrased in very immediate terms last spring when one senior, an honors student and former editor of the **Campus**, was not graduated from Middlebury College because he had not passed the two required years of physical educaion. At a time when students are becoming increasingly sensitive to disparities between policy and action, theory and practice, it is "understandable," as Mr. Kelly puts it, "that today's youth should question everything that is compulsory — from the draft to physical education."

If President Armstrong's assessment of the college as a "community of scholars" is true, what place does compulsory physical education have? Should it — of necessity — take the same time as any other three credit course does?

Mr. Kelly believes that physical education is both desirable and beneficial. He says that "physical conditioning should not stop and start and then stop again." He feels that it is the responsibility of the physical education departments to provide this continuous training which is especially significant in light of Presidential reports on what Kelly calls the "terrible physical shape of most boys in this country."

But Kelly's statements raise two other questions. First, what place does **any** type of compulsory physical education program, instituted for **any** reason, have at a liberal arts college dedicated to the purposes and goals stated above? One women's physical education instructor said, "I would be happy to see it (compulsory physical education) go. It's a nuisance."

Second, if physical conditioning should be continuous, does it not follow that it should be compulsory not for two years at college, but for all four years? Mr. Kelly thinks not. He says that "after two years the boys should have developed the habit of physical conditioning." And what if they haven't? Mr. Kelly: "If they haven't developed the habit after two years, they never will."

Changed Emphasis

However, the physical education departments no longer stress physical conditioning in their programs. The women's program emphasizes learning and playing the type of games and activities which will be of use "both during and after the college years." Similarly, "the men's program," says Kelly, has moved from an emphasis on exercise to an emphasis on games and individual sports which will be of later use to the boy. Three-fourths of the sophomores fill their requirement by playing nothing but intramurals."

One of the instructors in the men's program felt, however, that this type of program was "worthless." He continued: "These kids are going to play intramurals, physical education requirement or not."

The facilities for participating in physical training at Middlebury are impressive. The largest building on campus, the Field House, has a hockey rink or room for four indoor tennis courts, a gymnasium, and a room for weight training and workouts. Outside is a field for intramurals, soccer, baseball, and football. In addition, there is a separate woman's gymnasium, a college swimming pool, plus a golf course and a ski complex.

With such free and easy access to all these facilities, why

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The Student Vote . . .

In an interview with the **Campus**, Student Association Vice-President and Ad Hoc Committee member Linda Rebucci told why she supported the committee's report.

"I felt that this plan was best able to take care of the needs of the school due to future increased enrollment. I felt that this was the best plan as it was able to take the best parts of the co-educational society plan and still retain the fraternities."

When asked to make a projection of the effects of this plan in 1971, Miss Rebucci made the following statement:

"I feel that this plan will provide for a fuller interchange between the men and women of the college on both the educational and social levels. My main concern has been to create greater opportunities for this kind of interchange. I further feel that the fraternities could remain under this system, and that they could offer just as much to their members as they do now. They would continue to provide a place where men could get together. This is important in addition to the co-educational framework. I feel that the fraternities could and would remain."

ociety Goes Global: Cong With AWOL Propaganda

"to persuade leaders of developing countries not to be carried away by the President's promises of billions of dollars for Asian development." Obviously, no one could have stopped "crazy-legs Lyndon" from being carried away by his own song and dance. And as they say in Show-Biz: "He's a tough act to follow."

Go AWOL, Young Cong

But here they were, the brave new missionaries of the Global Great Society, who are, according to the latest officialese, "fighting the real war." Still, there were no happy endings in sight for our 51st State. The real war was in real bad shape. Some way had to be found to persuade Charley Cong to "Go AWOL" (American Way of Life).

A recent master plan to end the war proposed a saturation bombing of every Viet village with portable TV sets. Since the war is now beamed live into every American living room, we could reciprocally "Send Batman to Vietnam" via Telstar.

After a few months of this and other subtle "Go AWOL" propaganda, the Cong will be sufficiently mesmerized. Victor Charlie's only fight will be for his place in front of the tube, like any normal red-blood.

One hastens to add that this scheme is not too far-fetched: Jungle War Stories (a DC Comic) proposed that the U. S. drop Florida alligators on V. C. units, because the superstitious Cong have no defenses against "dragons from the sky."

Nothing Gold Can Stay

Yet Mr. Black and his associates gazed further into the future of Southeast Asia, where life is cheap, but resources abound. Looking at the sparsely populated hills around Camranh Bay, they witnessed the wondrous spectacle of a million kilowatts of hydroelectricity, limestone quarries, fertilizer plants, coonskin tanneries, magnesium and aluminum refineries, spring fully grown from

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Inscriptions On Desks Provide Exciting Reading

By Roger Lewis

You're sitting in class. You hear, "Gentlemen, things change. What you read in the **Sunday Times** is stale before you've read it. The entire concept is insidious, and . . ." Your vision drifts along the molding, out the window, back inside again, and rests dully on the wooden desk in front of you. But, whot ho? Someone in his hour of ennui, has provided succor for fellow captured souls. You begin to read with interest:

God is not dead; he just doesn't want to get involved.

I fought the dirty Commie overlords and their sex-craved nymph army.

Preserve mental health or I'll kill you.

No Censorship

This is true art. There is no fear of censorship; the reader is attentive by desire; in fact, there are answers written to some of the graffiti.

Mr. Hibbard's wife had a baby boy and he gave us all cigars! — Great! Did you get sick?

T. C.'s are lousy lovers. —Oh yeah?

God is dead. (Nietzsche) — Nietzsche is dead. (God)

Munroe 303 provides a feast of comments, writings and answers. One desk has the complete text of "You Can Never Go Home Anymore" written across it. Others ask more personal questions.

Has —— —— (a junior girl) reached puberty yet? — Why do you care?

Suspicions Noteworthy

Suspicions about administrators are noteworthy, especially the one which reads:

Dean — does not wash her hands after going to the bathroom.

Other 303 - iana are:

Zorro is a homo.

Why doesn't anyone ever write anything on a desk about Walter Brooker?

May I just say . .BITE THE DUST!

On one desk is written the following across a tombstone:

In memory of those who died while waiting for — — (a professor) to make a point.

Fraternity Couplet

Another desk features a list of fraternity houses with one-word descriptions; on the bottom of this desk is provided the couplet:

Gonna save all my money
And go to D. T. O.

Literary references are scarce; however, a second-floor Munroe room offers:

William Burroughs will live forever!

Mark Twain wrote "Hamlet."

No one, of course, thinks it is morally justifiable to write on a desk, but the next time you hear, "Can we just examine some of the affirmations in the world of this play. Just name a few, you know, the kind of things we see . . . you get a sense here, don't you, of . . ., remember that what is not morally justifiable may be humanly decent.

Variety Show 'Success'; Prize Won By Folk Group

By JAMIE BOWNESS

Although tainted by certain minor problems, the first Middlebury Variety Show, presented on Friday of last week, was certainly entertaining and brought to light some very promising student talent.

In keeping with the show's "variety" label was the diversity in the program. Musical pieces were the main offering, running the gamut from the quiet "meditation" of Susan Graves, pianist, and Jim Valby, violinist, to the vigorous rendition of popular folk songs by the Freshmen trio of Betsy Boerckel, Paul Grover and Chris Brown.

Music from the stage, in the form of Broadway tunes, was presented both by Leslie Roth '69 and by Susan Gallagher '68, who also closed the show with a performance of the vaudeville act, "We're a Couple of Swells."

Stage comedy was the motif of scenes from the revue, "Beyond the Fringe," brilliantly interpreted by Bill Stearns '70, Kurt Heinzelman '69 and Addison Hall '69. Their acting very effectively brought across Peter Cook's caustic satirical wit.

Perhaps the most charming performance of the evening was the spirited dancing of Nancy Heller '70 and her partner, Doug Francis.

Audience Enthusiastic

The audience was very quick to show its appreciation for certain performances. Heller and Francis were recalled by unending applause, and Nancy Trease was rewarded with a hearty "bravo" after her beau-

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Coed Loses Suit Over Mark

(CPS) — A University of Colorado coed lost her first suit to change a failing English grade in court Nov. 21, but she has far from given up.

Miss Jacalyn Dieffenderfer filed an amended complaint with the Boulder District Court Nov. 25, following the dismissal of her original suit on the grounds that the grade case was an academic matter that the court could not decide.

Miss Dieffenderfer had received what she described as a punitive "F" for allegedly cheating on a final exam last year. The basis of her complaint is that a University disciplinary committee had handed down a ruling of "no action" when the case came before it in June.

Although this is not equivalent to a ruling of innocent, the coed maintained that she should have been considered innocent until proven guilty and should not have been punished for an unproven offense.

Miss Dieffenderfer's lawyer, Guy Hollenbeck, said the reason for filing the amended complaint is that some parties thought the court was being asked to play the part of an instructor and evaluate the girl's performance as "B."

Although that is what Miss Dieffenderfer thinks she should get, the new complaint is amended in that it does not ask for that specific grade.

Report to the President

By The Ad Hoc Committee on Student Life

The following "Report to the President by the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Life" is being mailed to more than 10,000 alumni-ae of the College.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

To: Trustees, Alumni, Faculty and Students

I am pleased to send you a copy of the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Life which I appointed in the summer of 1965 and which submitted this Report to me on 8 November 1966.

The Report comes with the endorsement of all the members of the Committee. It seems to me distinguished by two important characteristics: 1) it addresses itself directly and specifically to the learning environment of Middlebury College, and 2) it makes a recommendation after presenting a thorough statement of two balanced alternatives.

For those who truly care about education at Middlebury this is an important document to be read with close attention, ever mindful of the first-hand knowledge and the special qualifications of those who have prepared it. In my judgment the controlling criterion finally must be what is best for the College in 1966 with an eye to the strength of the past and the direction of the future. There is no way to avoid judging the issues with which we are confronted by our plans for expansion and which are a product of the enlarging promise of the College.

To the members of the Committee, which has now completed its work and has been discharged, I express the deep and abiding gratitude of the College for the hours of time in meetings, in informal conversation, in work, and in thought. They have given generously and meaningfully of their time and talents. All the constituencies of Middlebury College will wish to thank Dr. Thomas H. Reynolds for his wise, informed and energetic leadership as Chairman of the Committee. The Committee under his chairmanship has submitted a document worthy of his seventeen years of devoted and outstanding service to the College. It remains for us to use it well.

JAMES I. ARMSTRONG
President

November 14, 1966

RECOMMENDATION

1. That as soon as practicable the College undertake to house and feed all students in College facilities and to this end that the College construct dormitories for 650 occupants and thirteen dining units for approximately a hundred students each as indicated in the satellite dining system described within this report.

2. That Fraternities be continued at Middlebury and, if necessary, supported financially by the College through interim difficulties caused by loss of revenue from board and rent.

The Ad Hoc Committee respectfully submits in support of these recommendations the enclosed report of its deliberations.

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INTRODUCTION

During President Armstrong's first year as president in 1963-64, the College was fortunate enough to be invited to submit a profile of the institution, as it was and as it hoped to become, to the Ford Foundation for consideration for the award of a challenge grant. In the "Profile" adopted by the Trustees and submitted to the Foundation, it was envisioned that the student body would increase to 1,800 by 1972 in order to provide the revenue necessary for the expansion in quality requisite to maintain the College's academic objectives.

While the College is not bound specifically to all its prognostications in the Ford "Profile," the 1,800 student figure was adopted as the basic planning guide for the College. Much of the detailed planning for faculty development, for the construction of an Arts and Music Center and for the construction of a Center for the Natural Sciences is based on the revenue to be derived from a student body of that size.

Since this involved increasing the physical facilities of the College to care for 450 additional students, much of the immediate growth of the College both in size and in academic quality hinged on the rapid development of plans to house and feed these students.

To all close observers of the Middlebury scene, however, the obvious solution of simply building dormitories and dining rooms for 450 people was as obviously impossible. Since World War II, and even before, the fraternities at Middlebury have provided not only the vast majority of Middlebury men with dining facilities but have provided as well social facilities for most men (fraternity or non-fraternity) and most Middlebury women.

Rushing regulations have helped reduce the number of men not selected by fraternities to the point where almost all men have an equal chance to get into fraternities and most get in who want to.

Therefore, if about 190 upperclassmen were to be added to the College either the fraternities would have to take care of the vast majority of them or the present **modus operandi** of the College would have to be changed either by modifying the role of fraternities in the life of the College or relinquishing the long-established concept of equal opportunity for men; and not only relinquishing it but relinquishing it with the sure knowledge that a considerable number of men could not participate in an important and regular part of College life. An expanded fraternity system, some other College sponsored arrangement or a combination of the two, called for serious planning which would have consequences for the fraternities since it became immediately apparent that any solution to the problem, even one which disregarded fraternities altogether, would seriously affect that part of the life of the College in which fraternities played a major role.

It seemed appropriate, therefore, to President Armstrong and his closest advisors to request assistance from the College community at large in solving this very pressing problem. There were two major reasons for the desirability of this course of action over one in which the President would simply make a personal recommendation to the Board perhaps with the advice of some of his administrative advisors. First, by appointing a committee the problem could be approached systematically with some assurance that most, if not all, of the possibilities and points of view relevant to the best solution might be forthcoming in the course of its deliberation.

Second, and perhaps of even greater importance, was the obvious desirability of consulting with responsible representatives of the alumni body of the College in a matter with which many maintained a continuing involvement. In this connection, it was immediately obvious that the College would serve itself best by appointing a committee largely of alumni whose integrity and objectivity was respected among all alumni and whose regard for and understanding of the fraternity system at Middlebury was apparent to all.

If such a committee, after viewing the situation, found that some modification of the present system was desirable, then perhaps this might provide the alumni body at large with the sort of leadership which is always necessary when basic change is contemplated. Any attempt on the part of the College to appoint a committee whose opinions might be suspect or whose regard for the fraternity system of the College might be shallow would defeat the entire purpose of an advisory committee.

With this in mind President Armstrong asked George Yeomans, the National President of the Alumni Association, to be a member of the Committee. His appointment was paired with that of Mrs. Mary Brackett, the head of the Alumnae Association who might be considered to be doubly qualified since she was once a Dean of Women at Middlebury and was the wife of a Middlebury alumni Trustee. The President then asked two members of the Board of Trustees who were also alumni of the College: Mr. Foster Clement, long a strong champion of fraternities and Mrs. Alice Howson, closely associated with undergraduate college activities in her work at Vassar. The President then asked two younger alumni both of whom had strong and favorable fraternity affiliations: Mr. Douglas East, who has been an officer of his fraternity corporation at Middlebury and an active faculty advisor of a fraternity at MIT, and Mr. Lester Ingalls who is a former National secretary and alumni officer of KDR and is sufficiently close, through his maintenance of a residence in town, to the Middlebury scene to be able to readily understand many of the problems which the College faces. In addition to these six, the President appointed Dean Elizabeth Kelly without whom no committee on student life at Middlebury could possibly be complete. Since the Office of the Dean of Men had just been vacated by Professor Frederic Swift, who had been acting Dean for one year, and recently filled by Dean Dennis O'Brien newly arrived on the campus, the President asked Dean Thomas H. Reynolds to preside over the deliberations of the committee. The President then asked four representative students to join the committee. They were the president of the Interfraternity Council, Mr. Dow Davis, the president and vice-president of the Middlebury Student Association, Mr. David Stonington and Miss Sandra Steinglass, and the chairman of the Student Educational Policy Committee, Miss Nancy Taylor.

Initially there were no faculty members on the Committee since the President felt that Dean Reynolds, long the chairman of the Department of History and a Middlebury faculty member, could well represent the faculty point of view. However, at the Committee's first meeting Dean Reynolds requested and received permission from the Committee to invite Mr. Bruce Peterson, a member of the faculty suggested by the Faculty Educational Policy Committee (and a Middlebury alumnus and fraternity member) and Mr. Dennis O'Brien, the new Dean of Men, to sit with and contribute to all future deliberations of the Committee. These two people have subsequently been formally made a part of the Committee by the President. In addition the four students named above were replaced in the spring of 1966 by their junior counterparts in view of the fact that the Committee's deliberations might well run over into the academic year 1966-67.

The Junior members whose appointment was subsequently confirmed by the President are Mr. Robert Bethke, the president of the Interfraternity Council, Mr. John Rogers and Miss Linda Rebucci, president and vice-president of the Middlebury Student Association and Mr. Charles Moffett, the chairman of the Student Educational Policy Committee.

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

The Committee, thus appointed, met in November of 1965 to consider how best it might assess the situation prior to making a recommendation as to how the College should proceed to design facilities for its expansion. It made several requests for various categories of information with regard to the present operation and condition of fraternities and their needs and potentialities in terms of physical plant. Much of this information was subsequently supplied by the fraternities themselves through the Interfraternity Council. The Committee requested assistance from the Deans in canvassing all the possible solutions to the problem of expansion which involved either fraternities or other means.

In the meantime, the Board of Trustees of the College had engaged the architectural firm of Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson and Abbott to design a residential system starting with the living facilities which might be necessary regardless of how the eventual overall configuration of the residence plan might come out. This firm, through the Administration, could give assistance to the Committee through construction estimates and design suggestions.

The Committee met again in February to discuss very general solutions which seemed logically to fall into three categories, i.e.: an extension of the present system by expanding the number or size of fraternities and improving their quality; a system in which coeducational dining facilities for approximately one hundred students would serve in addition as centers for social activities; and a solution involving central dining for the whole campus with extensive social facilities built into new dormitory construction.

At this meeting the Committee determined to publish a very tentative example of plans in each of these three directions and request comment and assistance from undergraduates and alumni alike. This was done in the spring issue of the Middlebury College NEWS LETTER.

Subsequent to the February meeting, Open Hearings were held on the campus conducted by the student members of the Ad Hoc Committee in which many students as well as professional fraternity and alumni representatives participated.

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The results of these Open Hearings were transcribed and made available to the Committee at their next meeting. The Committee next met in May and continued to consider the possibilities and potentialities of solving the problem of expansion in each of three different ways. In addition, the Committee took under consideration the possibility, suggested by the Interfraternity Council, of a system in which fraternities and satellite societies might exist side by side in a so-called "50-50 plan." At the conclusion of the May meeting the Committee had decided to eliminate from further consideration, for the time being, the plan whereby all students would eat in central commons, and instructed the local members of the Committee to prepare strong protagonistic arguments favoring (1) the best possible fraternity solution (2) the best possible satellite dining solution and (3) the best possible "50-50" solution.

The Committee also voted to make arrangements to meet publicly with the combined alumni Councils at Commencement time in 1966 to answer questions and discuss the various proposals which were under its consideration. The Committee also determined to release a second Interim Report concerning its deliberations asking even more specifically for alumni response and assistance in judging the various merits of either the plans under its consideration or ones as yet to be discovered. This was published in the summer issue of the Middlebury College NEWS LETTER.

During the summer the on-campus members of the Committee prepared a strong brief for a fraternity solution to the problem of expansion as well as a similar brief for a solution primarily involving College-owned dining and living facilities. At the Committee's request Dean O'Brien prepared a study of 25 colleges with fraternities which had been suggested by the Interfraternity Council and their advisors as indicative of good new fraternity solutions to the problem of campus organization.

After the announcement of Dean Reynolds' election as president of Bates College, President Armstrong urged Dean Reynolds to stay on as chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee in hopes that the Committee might come up with a recommendation sometime early in the fall avoiding the necessity of a new committee with a new chairman.

In an attempt to meet this request for additional speed without injury to the deliberation of the Committee, the Committee met on September 24th in an all-day meeting and reviewed all of the evidence and information which it had gathered to date. Several days before this meeting the Committee received a plan for enrollment expansion from a group of alumni representing themselves as speaking for the alumni corporations of eight of the ten fraternities. The plan called for extended use of fraternities both for housing and feeding and the building of six additional fraternities. The Ad Hoc Committee considered their plan with care and scheduled a special hearing on Sunday of Homecoming Weekend at which Messrs. Gollnick, Terhune, and Shepard, of the alumni-fraternity group, met with some members of the Ad Hoc Committee.

The Committee commissioned a trial draft of a recommendation, to which all members contributed in writing, which was subsequently revised and adopted.

OBJECTIVES

From the beginning of its deliberations the Committee has had four general objectives in mind.

1. Rooming and dining facilities for 450 additional students approximately in the ratio of men to women as presently exists today at Middlebury College.

2. The improvement or replacement of the inadequate facilities currently occupied by some fraternities.

3. The improvement of the present inadequate dining facilities for upperclass women in such a way as to permit them to participate more significantly in campus life.

4. The achievement of these objectives within the financial capability of the college in a context which would actively enhance and enrich the academic quality of a liberal arts education at Middlebury.

The Committee recognized that the College might not have established all of these objectives at the present time had it not been for the fact that attainment of the first objective, requiring dining and housing and extra-curricular facilities for a number of students equal to a third of the present student body, made consideration of the other objectives mandatory unless the College was willing to accept drastic inequality among the facilities offered its students.

These objectives needed little restatement except the last one which involved a number of value judgments. The Committee has used the following criteria as being consistent with the concept of "actively enhancing and enriching the academic quality of a liberal arts education":

(a) First the system chosen must meet the three preliminary objectives stated above so that all students would be provided with safe and healthy quarters and dining facilities in approximately equal levels of quality.

(b) The system should provide students with one or more natural groups small enough to identify with readily.

(c) The system should provide living arrangements which foster the development of casual and voluntary relationships between students and faculty.

(d) The system should provide facilities to bring the many guests of the college in contact with students as much as possible.

(e) The system should promote group relationships among students along lines other than their area of academic specialization, emphasizing in bricks and mortar and social organization the commonly held truths of the liberal arts curriculum. (A system whereby all economics majors lived together or all natural scientists dined together would not meet this criterion.

(f) The physical aspect of the system should, if possible, promote flexibility in the future, recognizing that the curriculum in the broadest sense should not be fettered by a plant which must be used in one way for all time.

(g) The system should work as far as possible to reduce the tension which so often exists between administration and students by enhancing student responsibility and reducing the number of areas in which the College must exercise dogmatic control over student life, while at the same time recognizing the College's basic responsibility for the level and quality of student life.

(h) The system should provide positions of leadership and managerial training which might complement the academic knowledge of the student.

(i) The system should build on the particular strength of Middlebury College as a coeducational institution.

ALTERNATE SOLUTIONS AND RATIONALES

In canvassing the available alternate solutions to the problem of enrollment expansion the Committee considered at various times a number of systems in which fraternities played the major role in housing and/or feeding as well as social activities. A variety of other systems ranging from those which provided College-run facilities for dining and sleeping while otherwise maintaining a hands-off policy towards the fraternities to programs which openly envisioned the demise of fraternal organizations on the campus were also discussed.

The Committee does not wish to include in its report all of the possible solutions it considered and presents here only what, in its opinion, were the two most significant solutions and the rationale which supported each of them. The first system can best be described as a system for expanding the residential facilities of Middlebury using fraternities in a major way.

It is entitled here "The Fraternity Solution" and is given along with a number of reasonable assumptions which the Committee thought best supported its adoption. This solution is followed by another entitled "The Satellite System" which is presented in the same way.* It should be noted that The Satellite System is also a fraternity system since it envisions the continuation of fraternities at Middlebury but calls on the College to provide residential and dining facilities for all its students.

THE FRATERNITY SOLUTION

Assumptions which underlie a solution to the current problem of enrollment expansion at Middlebury College involving maximum use of fraternities.

1. Fraternities have a long and well-beloved history at Middlebury. They have contributed much to the environmental education of its students in the past, and a solution to the problem of enrollment expansion should include fraternities unless it is manifest that such a solution is impractical for physical or financial reasons or that it is definitely inferior to some other solution for academic or social reasons.

2. The fraternity system provides a considerable portion of Middlebury men with the following benefits:

(a) A social group smaller than the "class" or the average "dorm" with which he can identify himself easily during the process of adolescent self-identification.

(b) A group where there is a greater opportunity for him to learn and exercise leadership in the variety of responsible fraternity officerships.

(c) An opportunity for practical business experience in running a fraternity or a fraternity dining room.

(d) The opportunity to select and live with a group of close friends (this being both enjoyable and good training for life).

(e) An opportunity through fraternity alumni to introduce young men in college to the adult world through fraternal and fraternal alumni contacts.

(f) A small group environment where there is sufficient concern of the group for the individual to provide academic advice and assistance in a way which cannot be duplicated by the more formal systems of the College.

(g) An independent structure enabling the student to beneficially escape from time to time from the College which otherwise controls too much of his whole life. Another way of saying this is that the fraternity provides an atmosphere where the student can relax rather than constantly face the inherently rigorous demands of an academic intellectual system.

(h) Regardless of the value of relaxation, the general spirit of independence and autonomy fostered by fraternities is beneficial.

(i) A system which at present a majority of Middlebury men seem to like.

3. The fraternity system provides the College with a number of advantages:

(a) The fraternity system may enable the College to spend more of its money on faculty salaries and educational equipment and buildings and less on housing and housekeeping.

(b) The fraternity system provides a link with College alumni more pleasant and lasting than other connections and therefore provides a necessary and vital link between the graduate and his College.

(c) The fraternity system provides a variety of social activity for both men and women which is a vital necessity to a college in as rural an environment as Middlebury.

(d) The fraternity system provides the college with a mechanism for social activity which it can control in an overall way but for which it does not have to assume direct responsibility in detail. This permits among other things a flexibility in the area of consumption of alcohol which might not otherwise be possible to the college.

(e) The fraternity system feeds about 500 men annually in a way which is satisfactory to them and makes it unneccessary for the college to take on this essentially thankless task. The function of eating together is recognized as an important and desirable part of fraternity life though in some instances fraternities at other institutions have survived without it.

(f) The system provides sleeping quarters for about 180 men, a function which is apparently not vital any longer to either the college or to the fraternity system.

(g) The existence of the system stimulates the flow of applications of good men students who might not be interested in a college without fraternities.

(h) The system provides a natural basis for the important intramural athletic program which, experience has shown, cannot be really duplicated on a dormitory basis.

4. That the oft-quoted anti-intellectual atmosphere of fraternities is exaggerated. With a little help from the College the fraternities could host intellectual activities as well as any other group. Indeed, there are successful examples of this sort of thing in the recent past to prove this.

5. That the College must set positive standards for eating, sleeping and social activities and require the fraternities with the help of their alumni corporations to meet them. These should include:

(a) Basic space and design considerations for new construction or remodeling.

(b) Basic safety regulations and equipment.

(c) High standards of sanitation.

(d) High standards and screening procedures for fraternity help.

(e) High dietetic standards.

(f) Sufficient continuing supervision to insure reasonable proper conduct and responsible behavior within the semi-autonomous atmosphere of the fraternity.

6. That such continuing supervision may well demand an additional College administrative official on a fulltime salary as is done in a number of other institutions with viable fraternity systems.

7. That the successful reinvigoration of a fraternity system at Middlebury requires considerable alumni support in the form of continuous chapter supervision.

8. That every fraternity at Middlebury College **now has on file** in the Office of the Dean the following signed statement:

Name of fraternity **has no agreement with a national organization and is not bound by any self-imposed agreement which would prevent it from pledging any student properly admitted to Middlebury College if it so desired.**

9. That the present form of rushing (which encourages each fraternity to take a full delegation, and imposes on each the possible obligation of accepting one or two "guests" with social and eating privileges for one year at the request of the I.F.C. in the event that the fraternity is not successful in pledging a full delegation) has insured that almost all sophomores who wish to join fraternities get a final bid from at least one house.

10. That any form of rushing which substantially increases the number of people who wish to join a fraternity but who cannot is unacceptable to the administration of the College and to the faculty.

11. That the time of rushing (currently established by Trustee action during the half week before the opening of classes in sophomore year) is not immutable and should be adjusted to the needs of the system at large. Under the present system, however, and as long as fraternities exist more or less as they do at Middlebury today, the sophomore rushing system should be maintained despite the difficulties this creates in the necessity for a College sponsored social program for freshmen.

12. From a financial point of view it would be possible to underwrite a fraternity solution to the problem of expansion at Middlebury. Even if alumni cannot be counted on to support the expansion of fraternities with gifts, the College could put as much money into a fraternity house as it did into any other structure of similar size and capacity. It should be understood, however, that if this were to be the case the circumstances under which the College usually operates with regard to the management of long-term low-cost dormitory mortgages would require detailed College supervision over membership, maintenance and financial procedures of the fraternities involved.

13. That fraternities at Middlebury could be as large as 65 to 70 without jeopardizing the fraternity system although 50 to 55 is a more desirable size.

14. That were fraternities to continue at Middlebury without carrying on the function of feeding or of sleeping all the present facilities would be "adequate" though the facilities at PKT, DTO, TC and ZP inspire the thought of considerable renovation (and in some cases replacement) and the others would require at least re-furnishing. $30,000 per house raised individually with an offer on the part of the College to co-sign or otherwise assist to underwrite mortgages (but not to provide the money) for houses which wished to re-locate on property approved by the College seems reasonable.

15. That were fraternities to continue to carry out the function of feeding but not of sleeping the CP, DKE, DU, SE houses could be renovated to provide kitchen and dining facilities for about 70 men and their occasional guests. That similar renovations could be carried out at ASP and KDR at the risk of changing the house almost out of recognition and at an expense which might approach new construction. (Architectural consultation here has been even less sanguine than the committee assumption). And that the other four houses would have to be replaced.

16. In the light of the assumption in paragraph 15, the Committee then assumes that should the College undertake such construction it could do it by building two clusters of three dining rooms with social facilities each around a satellite kitchen, since this is the only way it has found of building dining facilities this small without substantially raising the board bill. The dollar value of such construction should it be underwritten privately would be as high as a hundred thousand dollars per house or three hundred thousand dollars per cluster or six hundred thousand dollars for the six dining-social facilities and could run as high as a million dollars. Renovation for the other four houses would run to at least $30,000 per house.

17. The Committee assumes that the four houses on the hill have the financial capability of raising the necessary funds to satisfactorily renovate their dining facilities should they wish to do it though SE might have difficulty. Similarly, the alumni structure and individual responses to the Committee lead the Committee to assume that both KDR and ASP could raise enough money to renovate existing dining facilities but would have to make a major effort to raise money for new facilities. PKT, TC, ZP and ATO each for different reasons have the potentiality to raise the money but probably could not short of an all-out professional fund drive.

THE FRATERNITY PLAN

Not everyone will agree that

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the plan below, which seems to spring from these assumptions, is the optimum fraternity solution to the present problem. There are those who would prefer a system in which a smaller number of men joined fraternities by the elimination of the present maximum rushing proceduré. Fraternities for freshmen have their advocates. Others have suggested that the weak houses without strong alumni (and financial) support should go, leaving a smaller number of strong houses which would then be able to survive better while supported by men who really wanted fraternities. In not accepting these and other aspects of a possible fraternity solution, the Committee has been guided by a desire to propose and consider a fraternity system which might win general approbation and it has not accepted certain suggested features of a fraternity system which it thought would cause the whole system to be abandoned in favor of another.

The Committee, then, sees the optimum fraternity solution at Middlebury today as one in which the ten existing houses would helo the problem now faced by the College in the following manner:

1. Beginning in 1968 each house would expand its entering quota by six men moving the present figures from about 20 maximum sophomores per house to about 26. By 1970 fraternities would have potentially 78 men each instead of about 60 each. In actual fact, normal attribution would insure that no house would go over 70 and pefhaps would be slightly smaller.

2. Beginning in 1968 (or 1969) no house would provide sleeping quarters for undergraduates.

3. The College would offer the alumni corporation of each house the following option:

(a) To raise by a specific deadline sufficient funds to build or renovate kitchen and dining facilities for a minimum of 70 men equivalent to or better in standard and quality to the facilities envisioned by the College in its "satellite" dining program and in accordance with plans approved by the College. The fraternities would be obligated to agree to College control over the facility (possibly to include operation of the kitchen) and that the facilities would revert to College ownership in the event that they ceased to be used as fraternity dining facilities.

Or

(b) To request the College to fund, build and maintain (allowing as much freedom as possible to the fraternity) the same facilities as in paragraph (a).

4. That the College hire and maintain a supervisor for fraternity affairs to maintain standards of safety, cleanliness and responsibility within fraternities and to work with them to develop programs of cultural enrichment which would enable them to contribute more to the life of the College.

5. That the College build dormitories for approximately 650 men and women using the general concepts developed by Shepley, Bulfinch but with more emphasis on single rooms. (this includes 450 new students plus about 200 now living in fraternities and small wooden dormitories.)

6. That dining facilities be constructed for all upperclass women composed of a renovation of upper Forest dining rooms (lower Forest to be abandoned) plus one complete cluster of three dining rooms plus social facilities as envisioned in the satellite dining program. It should be noted that this is an important part of the overall "fraternity" solution in that it would provide Middlebury women with the facilities (three dining units plus two units in Forest) to run a social program complementary to that of the fraternities. At present Middlebury sororities do not provide this opportunity.

7. That the circumstances of fraternity membership and selection be approximately the same as now.

THE SATELLITE DINING SYSTEM

Assumptions which underlie a solution to the current problem of enrollment expansion at Middlebury College involving a new dormitory system and a satellite dining system.

1. The expansion of the old fraternity system by private support alone to accommodate the increase in feeding and housing requirements necessitated by the new enrollment is not feasible.

2. To expand the old system with College funds would involve money better used for other educational activities since housing and feeding activities can be supported by long-term loans.

3. To use the College as an agency for borrowing public or private funds to expand fraternities would necessitate the kind of direct control, if not ownership, over fraternities which would modify their essential "raison d'etre" as understood by Middlebury undergraduates today.

4. The Committee believes that the satellite dining system will:

(a) provide for all Middlebury men and women an opportunity to belong to a meaningful group smaller than a "dorm" or a "class" though the group may not be as efficient as the fraternity when the latter is at its best.

(b) provide a group with opportunity at least equal to that in a fraternity to learn and exercise leadership in a variety of responsible officer positions.

(c) provide an opportunity for managerial experience equivalent to or better than that provided by fraternities.

(d) provide waiterships and other remunerative positions equal to those provided by fraternities.

5. The Committee assumes that a system in which all Middlebury students are fully accepted as equal to others in their basic social relationships to the College is an improvement even over the maximum rushing program now in effect.

6. The Committee believes that sufficient autonomy can be developed within the satellite system to meet the needs of students though not as much as in the fraternity system.

7. The Committee assumes that learning to live with people as they are is at least as important an educational concept as is the concept that life is lived best with a group of chosen friends and the sooner one learns this the better.

8. The Committee believes that the satellite plan is the smallest unit of dining and social organization financially open to the College for consideration at present.

9. The Committee assumes that the best solution to the present problem is one which will equalize, though not make the same, the opportunity which the College offers to men and to women.

10. The Committee feels that full consideration should be given to both the dining and social needs of upperclass women.

11. The Committee believes that the coeducational environment of the satellite unit will create a more realistic atmosphere and make possible a closer more natural affiliation between faculty members and these units than exists between faculty members and fraternities.

12. The satellite system may (again because of the presence of girls in joint responsibility with men) provide facilities in which there is a minimum of regulation by College rule and a maximum amount of autoresponsibility.

13. The Committee has been impressed by the following observations about current fraternity life at Middlebury recognizing that they do not apply in all instances to all fraternities nor at all times.

(a) The role of responsible leadership, while present in the fraternity today is exaggerated. With little or no support from alumni or at least the kind of alumni who might be expected to object to smashed facilities, slovenly conditions, indifferent management and a general situation in which a suggestion from a house officer is only sometimes tolerated by the membership, the College is increasingly called on to exercise leadership in an area which by origin and definition should be self-motivated and responsible. The attempt to run a fraternity by the College either spoils the fraternity ideal or becomes a source of irritating combat between the College and the members of the house. The "tame" or "college run" fraternity is a contradiction in terms.

(b) Undergraduates like their fraternities primarily because they can live in an unresponsible atmosphere. The fraternity has become the agency, through its members, for providing an opportunity to procure alcohol. The Committee recognizes that some other agency would probably replace the fraternity were it not there.

(c) Most undergraduates in fraternities care little for their alumni and less for their national organizations. They welcome their support when their existence is threatened but are free to indicate that they think that most national organizational requirements let alone any remnants of ritual are no longer meaningful, and that alumni are tolerated for the most part rather than welcomed.

14. The Committee is sensitive to the strong feelings perhaps held by hundreds of alumni who cherish the memory of a house which meant so much to them in days gone by. Most of the Committee are alumni, most of them have such cherished memories. While the Committee cannot assume how various alumni might feel were they to come in direct and constant contact with the houses as they are now, members of the Committee cannot escape the notion that many alumni might call for even stronger measures of control or change than the Committee anticipates.

15. Finally, the Committee suspects, though it cannot assume, that undergraduates themselves are increasingly disabused with fraternities as a means of organization. The constant defensiveness here and elsewhere concerning the system is an indication of its basic instability. The fact that fraternities are less popular as the undergraduate moves towards graduation and seldom singled out by seniors in the top third of their class as being a favorable or even contributing factor in their college life is significant. Fraternities have played an important role at Middlebury and could be made more effective and responsible than they are now. The Committee has recognized, however, that the question arises as to whether this is now worthwhile. Should the College attempt to revive a practice which has realized so little of its promise in the last decade? The Committee cannot help but feel that in making a massive attempt to blow life into an old system it may be foisting that system on the College for long after its usefulness has passed. A reinvigoration of the fraternity system may indeed be pouring new wine into old bottles.

THE SATELLITE PLAN

On these assumptions the Committee proposes the following plan as the best possible under present circumstances whereby all students will dine, live and be provided with a considerable portion of their social facility needs by the College:

1. The College will build as soon as possible dormitory facilities for approximately 650 men and women representing the additional enrollment plus the number of men now living in fraternities.

2. These facilities will be along the lines generally proposed by Shepley, Bulfinch but with more emphasis on single rooms.

3. The College will construct by 1971-72 thirteen satellite social-dining facilities arranged in four clusters of three each around a kitchen while the thirteenth unit will be specially designed in the vicinity of the Chateau to care for the social and dining needs of a hundred or more men and women students who wish to enhance their language studies by association with a foreign speaking facility.

One of the clusters of three units might be renovated or reconstituted out of existing fraternity facilities should the owners of such facilities desire it.

4. That each of these dining-social units be so designed (along plans already indicated by Shepley, Bulfinch) as to do the following things:

(a) Provide gracious dining facilities for 100 students and their occasional guests.

(b) Provide adequate and imaginative social activity space (including most functions now conducted in fraternities) for 135 students.

(c) Be so designed as to foster separateness and autonomousness of each under a student-run organizational mechanism.

5. That all students will be assigned membership in such a unit in the proportion of men to women existing in the whole College at the beginning of their freshman year. That during freshman year he or she will dine in the freshman commons in Proctor Hall but in all other respects will be a member of his or her assigned satellite unit. There will be provided a mechanism whereby a student may change from membership in one unit to another by exchanging with an individual or some other device enabling the units to remain at an approximately equal size. It is envisioned that after freshman year a student would dine in the unit to which he had been assigned or to which he had exchanged.

6. Some consideration should be given to existing fraternity relationships in the initial change to satellite dining thus, DKE (for example) sophomores, juniors and seniors might be invited to join with an appropriate number of women students selected by a mutually acceptable device to occupy the first available unit, and so forth with other fraternities as the new units became available. Thereafter, membership in the new units would derive naturally from the properly assigned freshman men and women.

7. Under this system there would be no effort to eliminate fraternities should they wish to continue. Furthermore, the College would offer to relieve alumni groups of any indebtedness they held in connection with the property of fraternities in the event that the fraternity did not wish to continue as a fraternity and wished to turn its property over to the College.

CONCLUSION

A careful examination of the assumptions which support either of these solutions indicates that many of the assumptions are the same for each plan. Unquestionably different Committee members have been swayed by different factors in coming to their conclusions. A summary of the reasons which seemed most relevant to the Committee's recommendation follow:

1. The "Satellite Dining System" affords a greater opportunity for significant living to the largest number of students. Unlike the fraternity system, its provisions are open to all on an equal basis, thus best fulfilling an obligation tacitly incurred by the College to its students at the time of admission.

The Committee does not believe that the College can or should legislate popularity nor does it believe that organizations self-elected and joined together for useful purposes should be discouraged. The Committee does believe, however, that the situation at Middlebury today requires that the College provide students with rooming, dining and basic social facilities on an equal basis.

2. The Committee understands that future dormitory plans would be the same regardless of whether the "fraternity" system or the "satellite" system were adopted. The Committee, then, does not need to indicate approval of one dorm plan over another but takes this opportunity to urge that in future dormitory construction privacy and flexibility of use should be emphasized. The best plans seen so far by members of the Committee call for not more than six students, each with a single room for sleeping and studying, sharing a living room and hall suite containing small utilities such as a hot plate and a refrigerator. Materials should permit maximum flexibility in individual decoration and the general arrangement of the buildings should take into consideration the possibility in the future of changes in the visiting regulations.

3. The "satellite" system seems to offer more opportunity to the women's campus to make genuinely joint contribution to the life of the College. The Committee does not underestimate the power of the distaff side in the affairs of the College today. Nevertheless, it sees almost the entire formal and much of the informal social life of the College run by men through the fraternities. While the Committee has been told that this merely reflects the social fact in our society that "boy asks girl" and hence the system is "training for life," the Committee feels that if the fraternity system claims the social microcosm in its support, in fact the "satellite system," in which young women would presumably play a significant role in planning and carrying out social activities, is a better system.

4. It should be a matter of note that outrageous behavior in fraternities at parties and at other times when women visitors are permitted in fraternity houses has not been represented to the Committee as a special problem and has not been a major factor in the Committee's deliberation. Unlike the situation at some men's colleges where the greatly increased presence of women on the campus has been a real factor in bringing about a change away from the freedoms of fraternities, Middlebury fraternity customs and regulations have always grown in an environment where women were present and are not drastically affected by that which has only recently caught up with other campuses.

This fact enables the Committee to state categorically that in its opinion the satellite units should not be put under stricter control than the fraternities in the matter of occupation by both sexes and in the consumption of alcohol but rather the College should make a real effort through imaginative architectural design to facilitate occupation virtually at all times by both sexes and to emphasize individual responsibility for alcohol under the law.

5. The Committee is well aware of the opinion in some quarters that without the financial and perhaps spiritual subsidy which the fraternity system derives from its function in providing meals for upperclass men, the system may die. The Committee is not of this opinion, however. It finds that in Middlebury's history fraternities existed before anybody thought of using them as eating clubs and that as recently as President Thomas' administration that venerable pedagogue warned against combining fraternities and dining. While it is true that dining has been a significant embellishment to fraternity life at Middlebury there is no reason to think that fraternities would die without it. On the contrary, there is every reason to believe that in addition to social functions which would be complementary to those in the satellite dining system, the essential meaning of fraternity life might be reemphasized. The Committee believes that most, if not all, houses could remain open on the basis of a house fee paid by fifty members (less than the present size of some houses) or more. Where houses are carrying heavy mortgages which cannot be continued under the new system the Committee recommends that the College offer to relieve alumni corporations of their in-

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debtedness should they desire it.

6. With regard to finances, the Committee is of the opinion that either system can be financed. In the long run, however, they must be financed essentially by the use of the College's credit either to procure federal long-term low interest mortgages or similar ones from private sources such as insurance companies. In any event, the College could not do this without virtually owning and managing the properties concerned. Inevitably this blunts some of the better assumptions favoring the "fraternity" system since, if the College could successfully delegate managerial authority to fraternities, it could do the same to other organizations under the satellite system.

Basically the question of finance comes down to the simple proposition that the fraternities cannot finance their renovation or replacement by gifts and therefore in most instances the College must do it. If the College does it, it must, of necessity, put its money into a system which is manifestly best for all. In adopting the "Satellite Dining System" financed by the College and encouraging the fraternities to remain, the Committee sees the best use of the College's resources at this time.

7. The Committee recognizes that either system demands sufficient control by the College to permit the College to carry out its responsibility for student life however that responsibility may be defined from time to time. The Committee feels that it is desirable for the College to exercise this control as little and as lightly as possible. It also believes that one of the most telling and best reasons for the continuation of fraternities has been to substitute the guidance and example of alumni through fraternal organizations for direct College control.

However, the Committee is of the opinion that increasingly the College has had to step in with both guidance and authority in fraternity matters in default of the old relationships. Far from neglecting the fraternities, the College has done much to improve leadership, to help house presidents, to provide guidance to treasurers and stewards and even to run voluntary seminars for social chairmen. A long and distinguished group of faculty advisors have given much of their time but of late, some of them feel, with increasing ineffectiveness.

The Committee sees two reasons for this increasing difficulty. One is that despite the continuing loyalty of alumni to their fraternities, the job of actually supervising and advising and being a "presence" which tacitly causes undergraduates to live up to basic standards (whether these be of cleanliness, good management or group responsibility) is left to a very few valiant individuals whose ranks are thinning as time goes by. Had each fraternity at Middlebury as dedicated a brother **in urbe** as Ivan Hagar or Gordon Perine, the situation might be different. Despite the protestations made to the Committee by a group of representatives of fraternity alumni corporations the Committee does not feel that the on-the-spot support will be forthcoming from today's alumni on a sufficiently large scale.

The second reason is closely allied with the first and may be the cause of several local fraternity alumni having turn-relationship between living and ed away from their houses in some disgust. Today's undergraduates do not wish to be subservient to alumni control and domination any more than they wish to subject themselves to college discipline. They accept the latter sometimes as a matter of necessity but reject the former almost out of hand. The Committee has been at great pains to inform itself on this score because it seems so central to the issue. While undergraduates will accept from alumni advice and even control with regard to financial matters in the house they resent any alumni suggestion concerning behavior or such things as policies concerning guests.

The Committee then finds that it has uncovered a paradox. The great majority of older alumni who write in support of the extension of the fraternity system do so on the basis of an ideal fraternity which they remember as being controlled by a combination of the College and alumni and by today's standards controlled rather rigidly. They see nothing wrong with fraternities which cannot be remedied by the exercise of sterner control by College and alumni and are particularly free in chastising the College for destroying fraternities by not stepping in and running them better. On the other hand, the Committee finds that the greater part of the present undergraduate body seems to support an extension of the fraternity system because they see in it a means for a lesser amount of either responsibility or control from anybody in a significant part of their lives.

The Committee believes in the desirability of maintaining considerable areas in a student's life free from "college control" but that the principal reason for this is to encourage individual responsibility not to foster responsibility as seems so frequently to be the situation in fraternities at Middlebury today. Indeed, the Committee even believes that in the highly pressured life of the student today there should be areas for no responsibility and relaxation. However, the Committee does not believe that this kind of lack of responsibility should extend to the vital areas of rooming and dining precluding as it does the use of these facilities for a wide variety of pursuits more in accord with the academic purpose of the institution.

8. The Committee feels that the fraternities should remain. They have served Middlebury well in the past and may continue to do so in the future. But let the functions of rooming and dining be taken over by the College in such a way as to provoke and promote continucus and forward looking experimentation in the realm of the learning. As always, there will be anguish when the cake of custom is broken but the Committee believes that future generations of Middlebury students may well bless those now in authority who have the courage to act on the basis of their reasoned convictions.

Dean Kelly Sees 'Untapped Power' In Ad Hoc Decision

By PETER LEBENBAUM

"It may well bring an untapped source of power into the educational and social life of the college," was Dean of Women Elizabeth Kelly's comment upon the significance of the Ad Hoc report regarding Middlebury women.

"There has been a trend in the last four or five years toward more actual 'co-education' in our (the Middlebury) society. It would seem that this report more nearly approaches co-education," she said.

The Dean stressed, however, in an interview with the **Campus**, that the Ad Hoc statement was "only a report to the President," and that she had "no idea how he feels about it."

With this in mind, she stated that, until the president and the trustees have commented upon the report, and the satellites have actually been built, "we won't be able to tell exactly the role that the women might play."

The basic problem that we tackled was providing for 450 more people. To do this we had to take into consideration the whole educational outlook of the college."

She added that she was "happy" about the statement: "It was reasoned and well written; I signed it."

"It would be foolish to read only part of the report," she commented concerning student reaction to the published material. "It builds up logically, and you can't separate one part from the whole."

Elaborating briefly upon the way in which the committee worked, she said that she was "surprised that such a large group could work so well together."

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the jungle.

But, in the words of Robert Frost, "Nothing gold can stay." The visionary gleam in the missionaries' eyes faded. The **Times** assures us, though, that "If dreams materialize, Camranh Bay will be the key to the development of the highlands and coastal plain across the middle of South Vietnam . . .its only hope for prosperity is commerce and industry."

This is a good prescription for any area infected with the acute have-nots. In fact, Mr. Black's party included August Tobin, director of the Port of New York Authority, an organization noted by its desire to make plans just about everywhere outside of the Port of New York. Mr. Tobin, by the way, made the Hudson Tubes (subway) run on time. Presumably he had some sage commentary on the economic potential of those fabulous Viet Cong tunnels.

Unrequited Love

One of the master builders quipped later that they had seen "what American dollars can do." This may have been a reference to the huge new port and airbase at Camranh, a testimonial to the $2,500,000,000 per month which we are now investing in the war.

American greenery pays the total bill for the fighting forces of Premier Ky and of our South Korean friends, as well. Lest we forget, many V. C., too, are supplied and armed with pilfered U. S. goods and some V. C. are even graduates of U. S. Green Beret Camps.

Yet, despite the passionate pulse of the golden tide, the soft caress of napalm, and the seductive tones of "pacification," our love, according to highly-placed sources, has been unrequited.

Somehow the shooting war is just an annoying digression from our original modest task of building the Great Society everywhere. Underneath the inscrutable homburgs one might discover the homespun wisdom that "None of this ever would have happened if South Vietnam only could have had the blessings of the TVA, the War on Poverty, and Disneyland."

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Phys. Ed. Examined . . .

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is there a need for compulsory physical education?

There are, at Middlebury College, a considerable number of students who ski and no physical education credit is given for skiing.

'Contradiction in Terms'

Yet to abolish compulsory physical education would indeed be a gigantic, iconoclastic move. In the sixty-nine colleges in the northeastern United States, i. e. from Maine to Michigan to Virginia, with male enrollments of 750-1100, fifty-two of them require at least two years of physical education. And this includes such schools as Swarthmore and Oberlin.

Yet it is also important to point out that only a handful of these have anywhere near the access to the facilities that we at Middlebury possess. For example, only a half of those have intramural fields; less than six have hockey rinks. And hardly a one can boast its own ski bowl or golf course.

For them, perhaps, compulsion does become "a necessity," but as senior Peter Lebenbaum observed: "At Middlebury College compulsory physical education seems to be a contradiction in terms."

Variety Show

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tifully clear execution of French and Spanish songs.

The small number and large size of the prizes was indeed unfortunate. That two groups should receive $50 and $25 while the rest find their efforts left unrewarded is almost inconceivable for a show of this nature. This may be proper in a contest for performers accomplished in one particular field, but for an amateur "variety" show it is almost impossible to pick the best. It would have been more appropriate to have awarded more prizes in a lower range of value.

Apart from this minor though disturbing point, the evening must be termed a success. None of the performances were dull; many were exciting. The audience seemed captured by the vitality of Leslie Roth and Nancy Heller, and by Nancy Trease's demure self-confidence. Also of note was Curt Coughlin's guitar rendition of two of his Blues compositions.

Faced with the unenviable task of choosing the two best performances, the judge awarded the first prize of $50 to the Freshman folk group of Cheryl Browne, Kerri Gray and Delrita Hunter, whose performance was characterized by an original interpretation of the Beatles tune, "Michelle." A second prize of $25 went to the Graves-Valby duo.

An Impression . . .

By ERIC BORG

The recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee is a compromise, and it will please few. Yet the compromise is probably the most successful arbitration possible between the different wishes of the campus. Fraternities have been saved, very likely by vitiating them. The college may become more unified, and may cease to exclude a large group of students from the social life of the campus, but this has been achieved by making the administration more paternalistic. What actually will be the result of this compromise must wait on the social determinants of the college for definition.

The most immediate question is how the fraternities will react if the president and trustees accept the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee. It is unlikely that the fraternities will accept willingly the role of the sororities: polite societies which prepare one for civic responsibility. The fraternities may shrink to small, vestigial organizations which would be radically exclusive. The fraternities have not shown so far that they can respond to the challenge of existing in the 1960's instead of the 1920's, but the acceptance of the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation may be the challenge which produces a flexible and creative answer from the houses. One can imagine the fraternities developing a social system which would supplement and compete with the college's. This depends, of course, on how much money the houses have and whether the college will finance heavily a competing social system.

As the fraternities react to the Ad Hoc proposal (assuming that it is accepted), the independent men will redefine their position on the campus. Presumably, as the college begins to make provisions for the independent men, the fact that one opted for independence will recede as a defining characteristic. Hopefully, all-campus offices will cease to be the exclusive domain of the independents. The quality of the social life of an independent man will still depend on the benevolence of the college; that doesn't give much to hope for. Perhaps if more men become independents they will be able to demand better treatment. Certainly, as more people have to deal directly with the administration, the chances for the administration to treat them as they have the independents will decrease. The students will have an organization to deal through — their co-ed society — as the independents have not. And some of the energy which is now expended in the houses will go to the co-ed societies. The most pessimistic view is that the life of the freshmen will spread throughout the campus. More optimistic is the hope that as the campus unifies, students will make the most of the dormitory arrangement and at the same time provide off-campus responses such as the proposed coffee house. It is in this area that the faint hope for a fraternity answer exists.

It is too early to dance on the grave of the houses, and perhaps one should not be too eager to do so; there is little to justify optimism in either the life of the freshmen or of the independent men. At best though, the proposal of the Ad Hoc Committee gives new options for all students.

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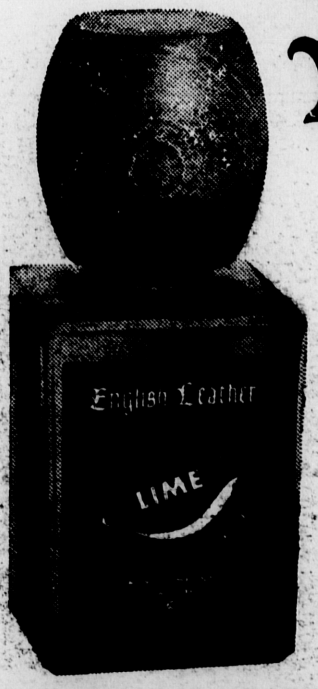

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Basketball . . .

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on-one break, feeding Ducey for an easy layup to cut the margin to 42-39.

Overbeck and Vanier exchanged field goals, and then, after a steal by Vanier, Roby scored on a layup rebound to cut the lead to one point. As the capacity crowd roared its encouragement, Trinity asked for a timeout.

Middlebury Press

The Panthers now employed a press at the midline, moving to a full-court press after foul shots. The teams traded field goals for several minutes, when Vanier put Middlebury in the lead 49-48, following two rebounds of missed shots by Roby.

With Hickey and Overbeck hitting for Trinity and Ducey, Roby, and "sixth man" Rick Minton picking up big buckets for the Panthers, the contest went right down to the wire.

With 1:29 to go, Stuhlman missed two big foul shots, but, in the following melee, he was fouled once again. He picked up one this time to knot the score at 66-66.

Twenty-six seconds later, Roby's jumpshot from the corner hit the rim and rolled in, setting up Hickey's last-minute dramatics.

The Panthers now go on an extended road trip, facing eight out of their next nine opponents on foreign courts. This weekend, Middlebury squares off against St. Lawrence University in Canton, N. Y., and Clarkson in Potsdam, N. Y. The next home game finds the Panthers meeting St. Michael's College on Wednesday, December 14.

Choir Concert Sun. Will Feature Modern 'Magnificat', Dance Group

The Middlebury College Choir, under the direction of James G. Chapman, assistant professor of music and chapel organist, will offer a concert of music for Advent and Christmas Sunday at 4 p. m. in Mead Chapel.

The program will open with a chorale motet by Johann Schein, "Now Come, The Heathen's Savior," which will be followed by Dietrich Buxtehude's eight-movement cantata "Ihr lieben Christen, freut euch nun."

A group of freshman men will present three medieval English carols, "What Tidings Bringst Thou, Messenger?," "There Is No Rose of Such Virtue," and "Noel Sing We," and the Middlebury College Chamber Singers will sing a sixteenth-century Spanish carol, "Riu Riu Chiu."

The central work in the concert will be a modern Magnificat by Halsey Stevens, for which the choir will be accompanied by the Middlebury College Chamber Orchestra directed by Alan Carter, professor of music, and by Laureen Carson playing the trumpet.

Also participating in the program will be the Middlebury College Dance Club, under the direction of Mrs. Janet Newman, who will present a choreography of Olivier Messiaen's contemporary organ work "God Among Us," the last piece in a Nativity suite, which will be played by Chapman on the organ.

The program will close with two motets by Francis Poulenc, "O Magnum Mysterium" and "Hodie Christus Natus Est."

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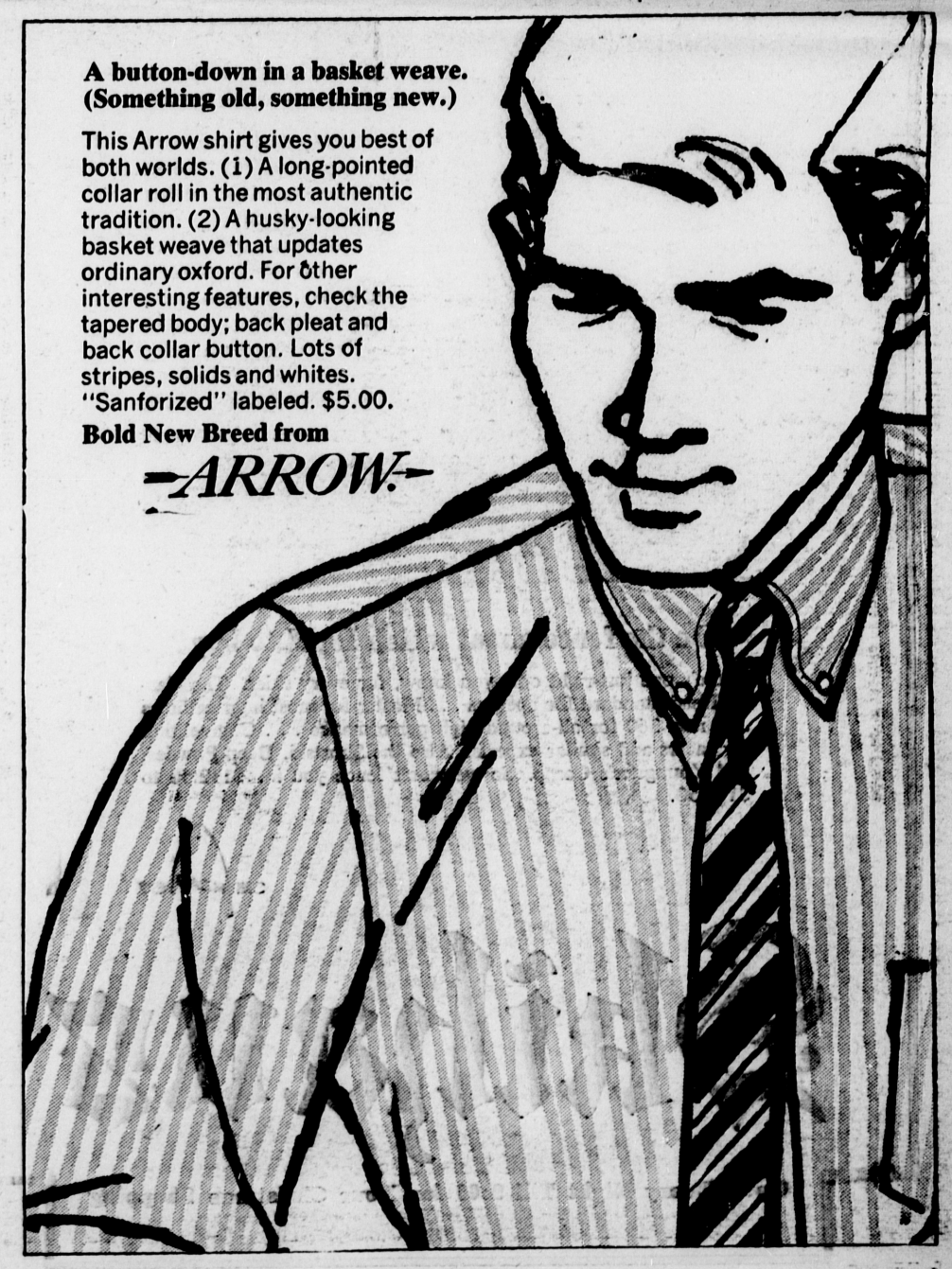
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Art Rescue Group To Show 2 Films

The local sub-committee of the National Committee to Rescue Italian Art, composed of Middlebury College students and faculty members and Middlebury townspeople, will sponsor the showing of two films, a short documentary on the paintings of Fra Angelico in the San Marco Museum in Florence and the feature-length film "Gold of Naples," with English sub-titles, in Dana Auditorium Monday at 4 p. m. and again at 7:15 p. m.

Although admission will be free, those who attend the showing of the art films will be given the opportunity to make a donation to the cause represented by the national CRIA, whose honorary chairman is Mrs. John F. Kennedy and whose goal is to help the Florentines rescue the priceless art treasures recently damaged by the disastrous flooding of the Arno River.

Not only have the Florentines themselves responded to the calamity with courage and determination in undertaking the enormous task of salvage, rebuilding, and restoration necessitated by the vast damage, but foreign students in Florence, including many American students, have been working side by side with the Florentines ever since the flooding began. Included in this group are the students of the Middlebury College Graduate School of Italian in Italy, who, in addition to helping clean up after the disaster, have donated to the city of Florence the money which would traditionally have provided them with an American turkey dinner on Thanksgiving Day.

The Talledega Exchange Program will be the topic of a discussion at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 14, in Proctor Lounge. Past exchange students will describe their experience and show slides. Students interested in attending Talledega during the spring semester are encouraged to apply.

Ski Sale Revenue Missing Or Stolen For Third Year

A theft of $121.50 from the Ski Patrol revenue was announced by senior captain Robert Larkin last Friday after he had computed the results of the annual two-day Ski Sale.

Evidently, the loss occurred in cash rather than merchandise. Larkin surmised that the money was stolen from the cashbox while the sale was open as it remained locked in Student Activities Coordinator Lynn Hinman's office overnight. He also indicated that a student probably removed the money when the attending ski patrol members were helping customers.

This is the third year in a row that money has been stolen from the patrol. Last year the loss occurred when the revenue sent to the contributing individuals was stolen from the campus mail. Larkin attributed this to carelessness and emphasized that, while this year's theft must be the result of negligence on the Patrol's part, they were extremely careful in guarding the money.

The loss left the Patrol with a profit of only $38.22 to help defray their expenses incurred over the winter season. The usual profit of about $200 pays a $3.50 individual registration fee, new first aid equipment supplied to the Snow Bowl, oxygen equipment, and Patrol belts and parkas. Larkin had also hoped to equip the Patrol with a mobile communications set. Presently the Ski Patrol has no communications equipment.

Times Critic Taubman To Lecture Here

Howard Taubman, critic-at-large for the **New York Times,** will be featured in the Celebrity Series Wednesday, December 14, at 8:15 p. m. in Mead Chapel. His topic will be "The Fate of the American Theater."

Taubman held the posts of drama critic and music critic for the **Times** previous to his appointment in 1966 as critic at large. He is the author of several books on music and the theater including **Open Front and Back, Music as a Profession, Music is My Beat, The Maestro: The Life of Arturo Toscanini, How to Build a Record Library, How to Bring Up Your Child to Enjoy Music.** His latest book is **The Making of the American Theater.**

Taubman is a graduate of Cornell University, and holds honorary degrees from Oberlin, Temple and the Philadelphia Musical Academy.

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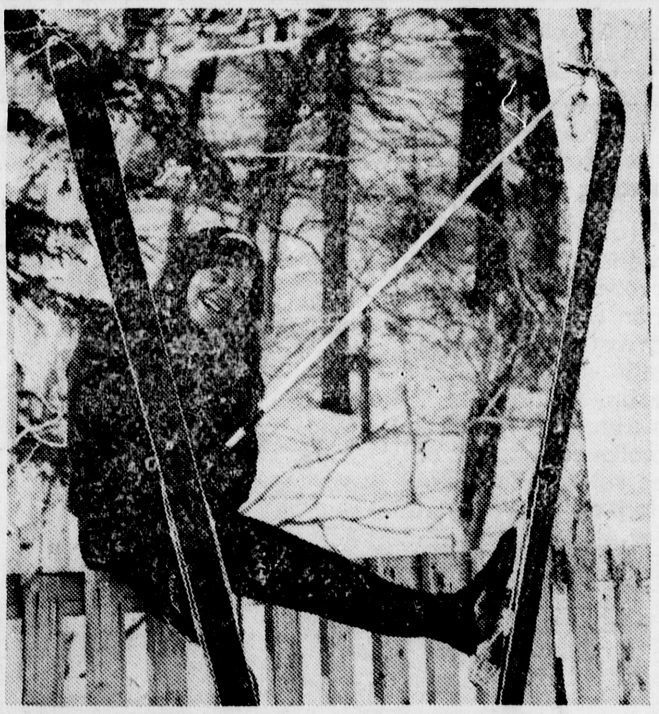

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